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ONE DAY LATER FROM EUROPE.

ARRIVAL OF THE HIBERNIAN AT PORTLAND.

Violent and Destructive Gale Along the English Coast.

Military Precautions Against the Fenians.

Escape of Stephens, the Fenian Head-Centre.

Increase of the Cattle Disease in England.

The Emperor of France Petitioned to Interfere Between Spain and Chili.

Affairs in Italy—Speech of Victor Emanuel.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

The steamship *Hibernian*, Capt. DUTTON, from Liverpool 1:30 P. M. on the 23d, via Londonderry on the 24th of November, arrived at Portland, Me., at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. Her dates are one day later than those already received.

The *Hibernian* has 420 passengers.

The steamship *City of Cork*, from New-York, arrived at Liverpool on the 22d of November.

The steamship *Damascus*, from Portland, arrived at Liverpool at noon on the 23d ult.

The steamship *Bremen*, from Southampton Nov. 22, arrived at this port yesterday.

GREAT BRITAIN.

VIOLENT GALE—DISASTERS.

A violent gale prevailed around the English coast on the 22d ult. The steamship *Queen*, which should have left Liverpool for New-York on that day, was detained until the next day.

The ship *Calhoun* was driven in collision with the steamship *City of Boston* in the River Mersey and went aground, where she remained until the next tide, when she was floated into her dock without damage.

Much damage had been sustained on the Welsh coast by the gale. More vessels had been driven ashore there than for many years past. An emigrant vessel for Australia was among the number, with nearly 500 people on board. No lives were lost.

Much damage had also been done on the land as well as upon the sea by the gale.

COTTON—LETTER FROM CONSUL DUDLEY.

A letter is published from Consul DUDLEY in the Liverpool papers regarding the cotton supply from America.

Mr. DUDLEY appends a letter addressed to him on the 27th of October by Secretary MCCULLOCH, who says that from the best information he could obtain, he estimated the old cotton in the Southern States fit for market at the time of the capture of Savannah did not exceed one million of bales. This year's crop, he adds, will probably not exceed 300,000 bales. Mr. DUDLEY says that when recently in America he made most anxious inquiries on the subject, and he estimates the present amount of cotton on hand at little over 700,000 bales, including the new crop.

REFORM MEETING.

A crowded reform meeting had been held at Bradford. The Mayor presided. W. E. FORSTER, M. P., and other influential men, took part in the proceedings. Resolutions in favor of reform were adopted unanimously, and confidence that reform would be part of the new Ministerial programme was expressed by all the speakers. The substance of the resolutions will be embodied in a memorial and presented to Earl RUSSELL.

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST THE FENIANS.

It is stated that precautions have been taken at Pigeon House, Fort Dublin, to prevent any surprise by members of the Fenian Brotherhood. It is also asserted that the military vigor displayed there has arisen out of the energy infused into the administration of affairs by Sir HUGH ROSE, and from the fact that the hulk *Mermaid* lying at the fort dock, had on board a large quantity of ammunition and military stores, which needed protection. Another vague rumor is, that three large vessels had appeared in the offing, and that the commandant of the fort had sent word that he would not be responsible for the safety of the fort, unless he received reinforcements.

JAMAICA REVOLT.

The controversy in the London papers as to putting down the negro insurrection in Jamaica is waxing warmer.

ESCAPE OF STEPHENS, THE FENIAN HEAD CENTRE.

A dispatch from London, dated Nov. 24, says that JAMES STEPHENS, the reported Head Centre of the Fenians Brotherhood in Ireland, was missed from his cell in prison this morning. No particulars are yet known as to the time or manner of his escape.

The constabulary in all parts of Ireland have been warned and informed of his escape.

THE FENIAN TRIALS.

The Court of Queen's Bench for Ireland has refused the application to have the Fenian cases tried in some other place than Dublin. The court held that a fair and impartial trial could be had in Dublin.

THE CATTLE DISEASE.

A fresh report of the cattle disease shows that it is on the increase in England, chiefly in Yorkshire, and on the decrease in Scotland.

GOLD IN CORNWALL.

The *Times* says that specimens of virgin gold have been discovered in Tinstream in Cornwall.

FRANCE.

The merchants of Paris had held a meeting in regard to the Spanish-Cuban affair, and adopted a petition to the Emperor praying him to use his influence for a settlement of the dispute by arbitration.

The merchants of Mavre had also held a meeting on the same subject, and adopted a similar petition.

PRUSSIA.

The semi-official *Journal* says that Prussia will not hesitate to follow the example of France if the latter should make a real and material reduction in her army.

ROME.

Numerous encounters are reported between the Pontifical gendarmes and the Brigands, the former displaying great energy.

ITALY.

King EMANUEL opened the session of the new Parliament in person, on Nov. 18, and delivered the following speech:

"When I opened Parliament in the city which was the first guardian of Italy's destinies, I always spoke words of encouragement and hope, and my words have always been followed by prosperous events. It is with the same confidence that I speak to you here in Florence, where we shall also be able to vanquish all obstacles for the complete vindication of our autonomy. My government welcomed from deference to the Papacy, and for the satisfaction of the religious interests of the majority of the population, the proposals for negotiations, which it broke off when it judged that they might be prejudicial to the rights of the crown and the nation. Time and the force of events will solve the questions pending between Italy and the Papacy. We must remain faithful to the convention of September, which France will completely carry out within the appointed time. Henceforth it will be easy to wait. The situation has much improved."

The King then alluded to the good relations existing between Italy and the Powers of Europe and North and South America, and spoke of the recognition of Italy by Spain, Bavaria and Saxony. His Majesty continued: "The Latin nations, united by fresh ties, are acquiring a community of interests and aspirations with the noble peoples of Germany, thus causing ancient prejudices and rancors to disappear. Italy will take her place among the great States of Europe, cooperating in the triumph of justice and liberty. Liberty has produced favorable results at home; the administration, public works, the laws and the army have been assimilated with results which in other countries have required the work of generations. This is a good augury for the future. The Ministry will bring forward bills to complete the assimilation of the laws of the kingdom, and others relating to the education of the poorer classes, the improvement of the public credit and the execution of works of public utility. The principal difficulty is to bring about an equilibrium of the finances without impairing the organization of the military and naval forces. It is painful to me that fresh sacrifices must be asked of my people, but its patriotism will not be found wanting. We shall divide the taxes as equitably as possible, reducing, at the same time, the public expenses as much as lies in our power. Italy must free herself from the ruins of the past. You will deliberate on the separation of the Church and State, and the suppression of the religious bodies. Nothing will destroy the national work. A complete change is taking place among the peoples of Europe. The future belongs to God. If fresh combats should become inevitable, the sons of Italy will rally around me. If the force of civilization prevails, the wisdom of the nation will know how to profit by it in order to maintain intact the rights and the honor of Italy. We must advance frankly in the path of the national policy, and we are certain of your concurrence. Confiding in the affection of my people and the valor of the army, I will not fail in the great work which we must transmit complete to our descendants."

A telegram from Munich says: Bavaria has notified to the Court of Vienna and Rome her recognition of the Kingdom of Italy. The Papal Nuncio has also received official notification of this act, and the ex-King FRANCIS II. has been invited to recall his envoy from Munich.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

The funds continued to exhibit increased firmness. Gold was flowing largely into the Bank of England, and on the 23d ult. the rate of discount was reduced from seven to six per cent.

AMERICAN SECURITIES.

SATTERTHWAITE'S Circular, of the evening of the 23d says:

"The market for American Securities has shown less activity during the past week than for some time past, the demand for five-twenties on continental account having almost ceased for the present, though the latest quotations, 63½@63¾, show only a fractional alteration from last week.

Illinois and Erie shares were both neglected until the arrival of the *City of Boston*, when a demand sprung up for Eries, on which they improved about $1 a share, closing at 55@55¼. Illinois shares advanced slightly, in sympathy, and at the last were quoted at 82@82¼, or ½ higher on the week.

At the close there was certainly the greatest disposition shown by home investors to take American securities, on the expectation that all matters of dispute between the English and United States Governments will be amicably arranged.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, Nov. 24.

COTTON—The sales of the week foot up 51,000 bales, of which 7,000 bales were to speculators and 11,000 bales to exporters. The market opened dull, all qualities declining slightly. Subsequently it partly revived, closing nominal, with a decline of ¼d. on the week for American. The quotations are as follows:

	Fair.	Middling.
Orleans	22d.	20d.
Mobile		19¾d.
Uplands	21¼d.	19¾d.

The sales to-day (Friday) were 10,000 bales, the market firmer, with an upward tendency. The total stock in port is 370,000 bales, including 98,000 bales of American.

BREADSTUFFS—The market is dull, with a declining tendency.

PROVISIONS—The market is dull and unsettled.

LONDON, Friday, Nov. 24.

Consols closed at 89¾@89¾ for money.

The weekly return of the Bank of England shows an increase of £178,000.

AMERICAN STOCKS—United States Five-twenties, 64¼; Erie Shares, 57@57¼; Illinois Central Shares, 83@83¼.

The Hibernian's Mails.

BOSTON, Wednesday, Dec. 6.

The easterly train arrived too late to-night to forward the *Hibernian's* mails. They will go forward in the morning train.

Non-Arrival of the Asia.

HALIFAX, Wednesday, Dec. 6—8:15 P. M.

There are no signs of the *Asia*. The weather is clear and cold.

THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

FIRST SESSION.

SENATE—Wednesday, Dec. 6.

CONNECTICUT ON EQUALITY.

Mr. DIXON presented a series of resolutions passed by the General Assembly of Connecticut on the condition of public affairs in favor of the equality of all men before the law, and indorsing President JOHNSON, etc.

The resolutions were ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

THE STANDING COMMITTEES.

On motion of Mr. ANTHONY the Senate proceeded to the election of the standing committees for the session.

The rules requiring the election of the chairman of the committees by ballot were suspended, and the following were announced as the committees:

Foreign Relations—Mr. Sumner, Chairman; Messrs. Doolittle, Harris, Henderson, Wade, Johnson and Buckalew.

Finance—Mr. Fessenden, Chairman; Messrs. Sherman, Cowan, Van Winkle, Morgan, Williams and Guthrie.

Commerce—Mr. Chandler, Chairman; Messrs. Morrow, Morgan, Howe, Foote and Nesmith, of Oregon.

Manufactures—Mr. Sprague, Chairman; Messrs. Dixon, Pomeroy, Riddle and Wright.

Agriculture—Mr. Sherman, Chairman; Messrs. Lane of Kansas, Creswell, Cowan and Guthrie.

Military Affairs and the Militia—Mr. Wilson, Chairman; Messrs. Lane of Indiana, Howard, Nesmith, Sprague, Brown and Doolittle.

Naval Affairs—Mr. Anthony, Chairman; Messrs. Harris, Clark, Johnson, Hendricks, Poland and Stewart.

Post-offices and Post Roads—Mr. Dixon, Chairman; Messrs. Ramsey, Conness, Buckalew, Pomeroy, Van Winkle and Anthony.

Public Lands—Mr. Pomeroy, Chairman; Messrs. Stewart, Cresswell, Hendricks, Wright, Grimes and Harris.

Private Land Claims—Mr. Harris, Chairman; Messrs. Howard, Poland, Riddle and Stockton.

Indian Affairs—Mr. Doolittle, Chairman; Messrs. Lane, of Kansas, Trumbull, Clarke, Norton, Nesmith and Buckalew.

Pensions—Mr. Lane, of Indiana, Chairman; Messrs. Van Winkle, Foot, Wilson, Davis and Stockton.

Revolutionary Claims—Mr. Ramsey, Chairman; Messrs. Chandler, Wilson, Nesmith and Wright.

Claims—Mr. Clarke, Chairman; Messrs. Howe, Anthony, Henderson, Williams, Norton and Davis.

District of Columbia—Mr. Morrill, Chairman; Messrs. Wade, Willey, Sumner, Henderson, Yates and Riddle.

Patents and the Patent Office—Mr. Cowan, Chairman; Messrs. Lane of Indiana, Poland, Norton and Guthrie.

Public Buildings and Grounds—Mr. Foot, Chairman; Messrs. Brown, Trumbull, Grimes and Hendricks.

Territories—Mr. Wade, Chairman; Messrs. Lane of Kansas, Yates, Norton, Nye and Davis.

On the Pacific Railroad—Mr. Howard, Chairman; Messrs. Sherman, Morgan, Conness, Brown, Yates, Cragin, Ramsey and Stewart.

To Audit and Control the Contingent Expenses of the Senate—Mr. Brown, Chairman; Messrs. Foot, Sherman and Sherman.

Engrossed Bills—Mr. Willey, Chairman; Messrs. Lane of Indiana, and Sumner.

Mines and Mining—Mr. Conness, Chairman; Messrs. Chandler, Morgan, Creswell, Buckalew and Guthrie.

The following are the joint standing committees:

Joint Committee on Printing, on the part of the Senate: Messrs. ANTHONY, Chairman; BROWN and RIDDLE.

Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, on the part of the Senate: Messrs. NYE, Chairman; HOWE and COWAN.

Joint Committee on the Library, on the part of the Senate: Messrs. HOWE, Chairman; HOWARD and FESSENDEN.

COMMERCE BETWEEN THE SEVERAL STATES.

Mr. SUMNER introduced a bill entitled a bill to regulate commerce between the several States, which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

It is the bill of last session in relation to railroads, authorizing all railroads to carry freight and passengers from one State to another.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

On motion of Mr. SUMNER, so much of the President's Message as relates to foreign affairs was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

IN REGARD TO OFFICIALS AND THE PRESCRIBED OATH.

Mr. SUMNER introduced the following resolution:

Whereas, It is provided by act of Congress that every person in the civil, military and naval department of the public service, excepting the President of the United States, shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, and before being entitled to any of the salary or other emoluments thereof, take and subscribe to a certain oath in prescribed form; and it is further provided that no money shall be paid from the Treasury of the United States to any person acting as an officer, civil, military or naval, as salary, in any office, which office is not authorized by some previously existing law, unless when such office shall be subsequently sanctioned by law and

Whereas, It is reported that notwithstanding these acts of Congress, certain persons have been allowed to enter upon the duties of office, and to receive the salary and emoluments thereof, without taking the prescribed oath, and certain other persons have been appointed to offices not authorized by any previously existing law; therefore,

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be requested, so far as the records of this department allow, to furnish to the Senate the names of any persons who have been permitted to enter upon the duties of office and to receive the salary and emoluments thereof without taking the oath prescribed by Congress; also, the titles of such officers, with an account of the duties and emoluments thereof, and out of what fund the same has been paid; also, the names of any persons who have been appointed to any office not authorized by some previously existing law; if the same have received any salary, what it was, and out of what fund it has been paid.

Objections being made to the above, it went over till Monday.

PETITION FOR INCREASE OF PAY.

Mr. GRIMES, of Iowa, (Union,) introduced the petition of the Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons of the navy, asking for an increase of pay, which was referred to the Naval Committee.

BILLS REFERRED.

On motion of Mr. WADE, of Ohio, (Union,) the bill to regulate the elective franchise in the District of Columbia, was referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

On motion of Mr. SUMNER, the bill to guarantee a republican form of government in the District was similarly referred.

INTERNATIONAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

Mr. MORGAN, of New-York, (Union,) introduced a bill to incorporate the International Telegraph Company, and establish telegraphic communication between New-York and the West Indies, which was referred to the committee on Commerce.

THE PUBLIC LANDS.

On motion of Mr. SHERMAN, of Ohio, (Union,) the bill to provide for the sale of the public lands was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Mr. DOOLITTLE, of Wisconsin, (Union,) moved to refer so much of the President's Message as referred to the lately rebellious States, to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. SUMNER said there was a resolution now on the Secretary's table providing for the appointment of a joint committee to whom this subject should be referred. It would be better, he thought, to wait for the passage of this resolution, and then let the subject referred to go to that committee.

Mr. DOOLITTLE thought that the House joint resolution spoken of by Mr. SUMNER, ought to go to the Judiciary Committee also.

ADJOURNMENT TO MONDAY.

Pending the decision of this question, the resolution of the House for the adjournment of Congress from this day until Monday, was called up and read.

Mr. FOOT, of Vermont, (Union,) remarked that there was an error in the wording of the resolution. It was a joint resolution, and yet provided only for the adjournment of the House.

As properly amended, it was then passed.

THE MEMORY OF PRESIDENT LINCOLN.

A message from the House announced the passage of a resolution appointing a committee to take appropriate action upon the death of the late President.

Mr. FOOT moved that the Senate appoint a committee of six to act with the committee of the House on this subject.

On motion of Mr. LANE, the number of the committee was increased to thirteen, and the Chair was instructed to make the appointments.

COMMERCE BETWEEN THE SEVERAL STATES.

On motion of Mr. CHANDLER, so much of the President's message as relates to commerce between the States, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

MEMORIAL FROM THE HEIRS OF REMBRANDT PEALE.

Mr. FOOT presented a memorial from the heirs of REMBRANDT PEALE, asking for an appropriation in payment for Mr. PEALE'S painting of "Washington Before Yorktown."

THE INDIANS.

Mr. POMEROY introduced a resolution calling for vigorous action against the hostile Indians on the border, which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

ADJOURNMENT.

At 1 o'clock the Senate adjourned to meet on Monday next.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

PRAYER BY THE CHAPLAIN.

Rev. Mr. BUTLER, the recently elected Chaplain, opened the proceedings with the following prayer:

Almighty God, the God of our fathers and of us, we thank Thee that the Congress of the United States are permitted to gather here and once more represent and legislate for a united country; not only united, but purified and strengthened by our trials and sorrows, and to remain, as we trust, by Thee, one and inseparable. For we thank Thee that not one star is missing from the flag that floats over us, and that that banner is more loved and honored everywhere than before, and is recognized over the whole land as the symbol of proper authority, and is the sufficient guardian now of every foot of our territory. We thank Thee that the deadly strife is over, and that time is already softening the asperities of war, healing the wounds in many hearts, and lifting somewhat the shadow from the household where the pall of death has been kept. We thank Thee, oh God, that the Congress of the United States represents one great free nation; that by the organic law there is virtually now freedom throughout the whole land; no manacle, chain, slave or master is legally existing. And we pray Thee to give to Congress wisdom and courage and advice to carry out all such measures as are needed to make the gift of freedom not an empty formality, but convey with it all the rights and privileges of manhood. We thank Thee that our free institutions have been put on trial before the world. And now that the issue is triumphant, we bless Thee that the attempt to sever the Union has failed, and that none can doubt hereafter the power and ability of the people. We would invoke Thy blessing on these legislators. Fill them with wisdom from on high and grant them individually every blessing which they may need. Grant to the President of the United States special wisdom and strength to discharge the heavy responsibilities resting upon him, and bless all associated with him in the executive department of the government. Remember our wounded and crippled everywhere; let not the country forget their sufferings and merits. Remember all who mourn; give them consolation. And may this whole land be pervaded by the spirit of the Gospel, so that our institutions may be based upon truth and righteousness as proclaimed by our Lord and Saviour, filling with those principles the entire country, and establishing our power as a free and Christian nation. And to Thee, our God and the God of our fathers, we will give all praise and glory forever. Amen.

The oath of office was then administered to the Chaplain.

THE PRESIDENTIAL OFFICE.

Mr. THAYER, of Pennsylvania, (Union,) introduced a bill amending the act declaring the officer who shall act as President of the United States in case of the death, resignation, removal or disability of the President. It was referred to the Committee on Judiciary. The bill provides that in case of the death, resignation, removal or disability of the President and Vice-President of the United States, the President of the Senate *pro tempore*; and in case there be no President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives for the time being; and in case there be no Speaker of the House, the Chief-Justice of the United States; and in case there be no Chief-Justice, then the Justice of the Supreme Court who has been longest commissioned, shall act as President until the disability be removed or a President elected.

EMPLOYMENT OF WOUNDED SOLDIERS.

Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania, (Union,) introduced a bill permitting wounded soldiers accepting employment under the government to receive pensions at the same time.

Messrs. GARFIELD and KELLY suggested amendments, when the bill was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

FREEDMEN'S AFFAIRS.

On motion of Mr. ELIOT, of Massachusetts, (Union,) it was resolved that a committee of nine members be appointed by the Speaker, to which shall be referred so much of the President's Message as relates to freedmen, and that all reports be also sent to said committee, with power to report by bill or otherwise.

REPAYMENT OF STATE WAR EXPENSES.

Mr. HOOPER, of Massachusetts, (Union,) introduced a resolution that a committee consisting of one member from each State be appointed to consider and report by bill or otherwise whether any, and if so, what action shall be taken to repay the several States the amounts of money advanced and the expenditures made in connection with the late war.

Debate arising, the resolution lies over.

THE TAX ON EXPORTS.

Mr. BINGHAM, of Ohio, (Union,) offered a joint resolution submitting to the Legislatures of the States an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, declaring, first, that the article prohibiting a tax or duty on exports is repealed and of no effect; second, that no part of any debt contracted in aid of the rebellion, or which may hereafter be contracted for any such purpose, shall ever be assumed or paid by the United States; and, third, that Congress shall have power to make all laws necessary and proper to secure all persons equal protection, rights and liberty of person and property. The resolution was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY.

On motion of Mr. GARFIELD, of Ohio, (Union,) a resolution was adopted, giving the use of the Hall for the purpose of a public meeting to the American Freedmen's Aid Society, on the 13th of January next.

NAVAL DEPOT FOR LAKE ERIE.

Mr. SPAULDING, of Ohio, (Union,) offered a resolution, which was adopted, that the Committee on Naval Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of a naval depot at some suitable point on the southern shore of Lake Erie.

SLAVERY IN MEXICO.

Mr. GARFIELD, of Ohio, also submitted a resolution requesting the President of the United States, if not incompatible with the public interests, to communicate to this House any information in his possession, or in that of any of the Executive Departments of the government, with regard to a so-called decree of the Mexican Emperor establishing slavery or peonage in that republic, and what action, if any, has been taken by this government in resistance thereof.

Debate arising, the resolution lies over.

PAYMENT OF BOUNTIES.

On motion of Mr. NIBBACK, of Indiana, (Dem.,) the Committee on National Affairs was instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law for the payment of the bounties to those who served as volunteers during the late rebellion, but were discharged before the expiration of two years without bounty.

GUNBOAT PILOTS.

On motion of Mr. KERR, of Indiana, (Dem.,) a resolution was adopted instructing the Committee on Naval Affairs to inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill declaring pilots on gunboats to be officers within the rules and regulations of the service.

THE GRADE OF GENERAL.

Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, (Union,) introduced the following bill, which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs:

Be it enacted, &c., That the grade of General of the Army of the United States be and the same is hereby revived, and the President is hereby authorized, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint a General of the Army of the United States, to be selected from among those officers in the military service of the United States most distinguished for courage, skill and ability, who, being commissioned as General, may be authorized, under the direction and during the pleasure of the President, to command the armies of the United States.

SEC. 2. That the pay and emolument of the General commissioned as herein before provided shall be increased one-half in amount, whether in money or in kind, over and above the amount allowed to a Lieutenant-General; and the said General may appoint upon his staff such number of aids, not exceeding six, as he may judge proper, who shall have the rank, pay and emoluments of a Colonel of cavalry; and the Chief of Staff to the Lieutenant-General shall be transferred and become Chief of Staff to the General.

SEC. 3. That when any General shall have been appointed and commissioned under the provisions of this act, if thereafter the office shall become vacant, this act shall thereupon expire and remain no longer in force.

THE REBEL DEBT.

Mr. FARNSWORTH, of Illinois, (Union,) offered a joint resolution for an amendment to the constitution against the assumption or payment of the rebel debt.

COLORED SOLDIERS.

He also submitted a resolution declaring the sense of the House that good faith demands that all colored soldiers should enjoy all the rights of citizenship.

A debate arising the resolution went over.

NATIONAL MILITARY SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. CULLUM, of Illinois, (Union,) the Committee on Military Affairs were instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a national Military School in some one of the great States of the Northwest.

THE WASHINGTON NATIONAL MONUMENT.

Mr. INGERSOLL, of Illinois, (Union,) sought but failed to have the rules suspended, that he might introduce a resolution providing for the completion of the Washington National Monument, with the view to commemorate the virtue and and patriotism of those great and good men, GEORGE WASHINGTON and ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

MRS. LINCOLN.

Mr. WENTWORTH, of Illinois, (Union,) introduced a bill for the relief of Mrs. MARY LINCOLN. It provides that full payment be made of the salary of her late husband, considering the circumstances under which he came to his death. Mr. WENTWORTH said that Mrs. LINCOLN was one of his constituents. He had just consulted with his Illinois colleague and the administrator of the estate, and the necessities of the case rendered such a bill proper.

The bill was referred to the select committee appointed to take action with a view to some suitable token of the estimation in which the late President is held.

GEN. ROUSSEAU.

Gen. ROUSSEAU, of Kentucky, (Union,) appeared, qualified and took his seat.

The House adjourned till Monday.

GOOD NEWS FROM GEORGIA.

ADOPTION OF THE CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT.

A Bill Reported to Protect Freedmen and to Admit their Testimony in Certain Cases.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 6.

The President to-night received the following dispatches:

MILLEDGEVILLE, Ga., Dec. 6, 1865.

To His Excellency Andrew Johnson:

The Legislature has adopted the Constitutional Amendment, and will pass laws amply protecting the freedmen in their rights of person and property, including their right to sue and be sued, and to testify.

J. E. BROWN.

MILLEDGEVILLE, Ga., Dec. 6, 1865.

To His Excellency Andrew Johnson, President:

The Constitutional Amendment has passed each branch of the Legislature. The House passed a resolution instructing the Judiciary Committee to report a bill to protect persons of African descent in their persons and property, and also to allow them to testify in cases in which they may be arrested.

J. JOHNSON, Provisional Governor.

THE CITY ELECTION.

The Two Boards of Common Council, School Officers, &c.

The following are the names of the Board of Aldermen for the ensuing year, those in the *seven* districts (2, 4, &c.,) having been chosen on Tuesday:

1. John Moore, Tammany.
2. Thomas Cowan, Tammany and Mozart.
3. Michael Norton, Mozart.
4. Charles McBrien, McKeon.
5. Ignatius Flynn, McKeon and Citizens'.
6. Joseph Shannon, Tammany.
7. William H. Gedney, Union.
8. Wm. L. Ely, Tammany and Reform.
9. Lewis R. Ryers, Tammany.
10. Bernard Reilly Tammany.
11. John Brice, Tammany, &c.
12. Charles E. Loew, Tammany.
13. Peter Masterson, Tammany.
14. Joseph B. Varnum, Jr., Union.
15. James O'Brien, Mozart, &c.
16. Robert McGinnis, Mozart and Citizens'.
17. B. W. Van Voorhis, Tammany.

Union, 2; Tammany, 9; Mozart, 3; McKeon, 3.

BOARD OF COUNCILMEN.

District IV.—Cornelius Flynn, Mozart and Tammany.
James Long, Tammany.
John Stacom, Tammany.
Patrick H. Keehan, Tammany.
Isaac Robinson, Tammany.
Hugh O'Brien, Tammany.

District V.—Bernard Kenny, Tammany.
Edward Costello, Mozart.
Anthony Hartman, Mozart.
James G. Brinkman, Tammany.
Charles Koster, Tammany.
Clement Watts, Union.

District VI.—Alexander H. Keech, Union.
William B. White, Union.
J. Wilson Green, Union.
George D. Kellogg, Union.
George H. MacKay, Union.
Morris A. Tyng, Union.

District VII.—Stephen H. Roberts, Union.
Michael Halloran, Union.
Francis A. Thomas, Union.
George Hetrick, Union.
Christopher Pullman, Union.
Milnor Imlay, Union.

SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

James B. Dupignac.	Timothy Brennan.
John Hayes.	Wilson Small.
James W. Farr.	Samuel B. M. Vance.
John F. Turner.	James L. Miller.
S. Weir Roosevelt.	Richard Warren.
James M. McLean.	James M. Post.
William Hitchman.	Horatio P. Allen.

We do not classify the Commissioners of Common Schools politically, as in several wards gentlemen were supported because of their personal worth and fitness for office, rather than for any affiliation with any political party; and as recent votes in the Board of Education indicate the Commissioners' willingness to drown political partisanship in treating educational matters, the TIMES will not be first to create a division in the Board. Suffice it to say that the above-named members of the new board are gentlemen of large experience and high respectability, who will undoubtedly strive to maintain the elevated standard which our schools now enjoy.

SCHOOL INSPECTORS.

Mayor GUNTHER sent in, and the Board of Education confirmed, last evening, the following nominations of School Inspectors, to serve three years from Jan. 1, 1866:

Second District—JOHN H. WILLIAMS.
Third District—NATHANIEL JARVIS.
Fourth District—HARVEY H. WOODS.
Fifth District—ROBERT ENOVES.
Sixth District—WATTS C. LIVINGSTON.
Seventh District—RICHARD L. LIVERMORE.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Wards.		Wards.	
1.	Chas. Bergner, Dem.	11.	W. W. Lyon, Dem.
2.	J. Coyne,

POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Concise Statement of the Operations of the Department, the Expenses and Receipts.

POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT, Nov. 15, 1865.

SIR: The revenues of this department for the year ended June 30, 1865, were $14,556,158 70, and the expenditures $13,694,728 28, leaving a surplus of $861,430 42.

The ratio of increase of revenue was 17 per cent., and of expenditure 8 per cent., compared with previous year.

The portion of the revenues accumulated in depository and draft offices, under the supervision of the Finance-office of this department, was $7,136,024 46; collected by the Auditor, $2,329,855 08; and retained by Postmasters for salaries and office expenses, $5,090,279 16.

The estimated expenditures for the year ending June 30, 1867, are.....$18,678,000

The revenues estimated at 10 per cent. increase over last year.....$16,011,773

Add amount equal to 50 per cent. of the receipts in 1860 from States lately in rebellion..... 758,770

Appropriation for free matter.. 700,000—17,470,543

Leaving a deficiency of.....$1,207,457

For this deficiency special appropriation will be required, as the standing appropriations for the last three years, under acts of March 3, 1847, and March 3, 1851, amounting to $2,100,000, are unexpended. It will be necessary, however, to make special appropriations from the treasury for steamship service between San Francisco, Japan, and China, for six months, from Jan. 1 to June 30, 1867..... $250,000

Also for steamship service between the United States and Brazil for eight months of the current year, commencing Nov. 1..... 100,000

And the whole of next year..... 150,000

Total.....$500,000

The number of postage stamps issued during the year was 337,419,455 representing.....$12,099,787 50

Stamped envelopes, 25,040,425, representing..... 724,135 00

Stamped wrappers, 1,165,750, representing..... 23,315 00

Making in all.....$12,847,437 50

An increase of $1,873,108 over the previous year. The sold amount was $12,399,727 85, being $1,623,138 27 more than the previous year.

The introduction of stamped envelopes bearing a request for the return to the writers of unclaimed letters has considerably increased the sale of envelopes, and is believed to have diminished the returns to the Dead Letter Office.

Business cards are printed on envelopes without additional cost when ordered in quantities not less than 1,000 for the same parties.

To encourage the purchase of *request envelopes*, the law should be changed so as to allow the return of such letters to the writers free of postage.

As stamped envelopes are cancelled by use, and therefore safer against fraud than those with stamps attached, it is submitted whether the Postmaster-General should not be authorized in his discretion to furnish them as the separate stamps are now, without reference to the cost of manufacture.

New stamps have been adopted of the denominations of 5, 10, and 25 cents, for prepaying postage on packages of newspapers forwarded by publishers or news-dealers, under the authority of law, whereby a revenue will be secured hitherto lost to the department.

Under the act for the relief of Postmasters who have been robbed by bodies of armed men, seventy-seven cases have been decided, and allowances made to the amount of $4,207 75.

Appended hereto is a tabular statement exhibiting the annual receipts and expenditures of this department from Jan. 1, 1833, to June 30, 1865. The results are as follows:

Aggregate receipts.....$200,811,894 47

Aggregate expenditures..... 344,748,881 59

Deficit..... $44,436,987 12

Averaging as follows: Receipts, $5,806,141 87 per annum; expenditures, $7,094,170 48 per annum; deficit, $1,288,028 61 per annum.

CONTRACTS.

The mail service in operation on 30th June, 1865, embraced 6,012 routes, of the aggregate length of 143,340 miles, costing $6,246,884, (exclusive of compensation to route and other agents, amounting to $556,609 75.)

Railroad, 28,401 miles, costing.....$2,707,421

Steamboat, 13,088 miles, costing..... 359,598

Celerity, &c., 105,851 miles, costing..... 3,179,865

The aggregate miles of transportation were 57,993,494.

Railroad.....24,087,568

Steamboat.....2,444,696

Celerity, &c.....31,461,430

The cost, per mile, for transportation by railroad was 11¼ cents; steamboat, 14¾ cents; celerity, &c., 10 cents.

The increased length of routes was 3,168 miles; of transportation, 1,678,187 miles; and of cost, $428,415. For other details of the contract service see appendix.

Until Sept. 15, 1864, the service on the Lincoln and Portland route was performed by the California Stage Company, at the rate of $90,000 per annum. Under proposals for continuing the service until 1866 and 1866, the only bid received was from the company, at $250,000 per annum, which, being regarded as excessive, was accepted only to June 30, 1865, for the purpose of again inviting competition. This was done by advertisement, dated Oct. 12, 1864, under which the California Stage Company was again the only bidder, at $200,000 per annum, which was declined. The service was, however, offered to the contractor for another year at the compensation of $200,000 per annum, which was refused. Arrangements were then made with responsible parties to convey the mail at $225,000 per annum to June 30, 1866, after which it is hoped the service will be performed at more reasonable rates.

The overland mail service from the Missouri River to California is performed under two contracts, one from Atchison to Salt Lake City, and the other from the latter place to Folsom City. On the western division the service has been performed with reasonable regularity, while on the eastern portion it has been more or less irregular, owing, as alleged by the contractors, to high water, bad roads, and hostilities of the Indians, disappointing the expectations of the department as to the value of the service.

Railway post-offices have been established on several leading railroads, and arrangements are in progress for their introduction on other lines. The result, so far, encourages the hope that the system, by accelerating the transmission of correspondence, and lessening the number of distributing offices, will be of permanent advantage to the postal interests of the country.

The work of preparing post-route maps, under the appropriation of the last Congress, is progressing favorably.

The net amount of fines imposed on contractors, and deductions made from their pay during the year, was $44,137 37.

The number, description, and cost of mail bags, mail locks and keys purchased, appear in a tabular statement annexed. The increased expenditure for bags, compared with previous years, was owing to the wants of the army and the increase of free and printed matter.

The number of routes ordered into operation in States lately in rebellion is 241; their length 18,640¼ miles; and compensation $721,949; a reduction, compared with former cost of service in those States, of $881,109 per annum. This, however, results in part from reduced service, which, if increased to the standard of frequency previous to the war, on the present rates of pay, the cost would be—

For railroad service $450,053, instead of $989,365 per annum.

For "star" service $266,818, instead of $320,025 per annum.

For steamboat service, which having been increased, estimated at former number of trips, is $63,501, instead of $298,868 per annum, making the aggregate pay pro rata for all the service $880,402, instead of $1,608,058, per annum; showing an aggregate decrease pro rata of $722,656 per annum.

Proposals have been invited by advertisement for carrying mails in Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Florida, from Jan. 1, 1866, to June 30, 1867.

Number of routes advertised..... 852

Number for which proposals were received... 517

Number for which no proposals were received. 335

Number of proposals accepted 292, at an aggregate of.....$102,714

Number of offers made by by department 235, at an aggregate of..... 128,250

Number of proposals suspended 50, being those of certain railroads, and routes of doubtful utility.

Advertisements have been issued for carrying mails in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas, from July 1, 1866, to June 30, 1867.

Details explanatory of this branch of the service will be found in the appendix.

FOREIGN MAIL SERVICE.

The general results of the foreign service are as follows:

The aggregate postages, sea, inland and foreign, upon the correspondence exchanged with foreign countries, amounted to $1,819,928 56, of which amount $1,449,539 76 accrued on the mails exchanged with Great Britain, France, Prussia, Bremen, Hamburg and Belgium; $275,197 06 on the mails exchanged with the British North American Provinces; and $95,200 74 on the mails transmitted to and from the West Indies, Central and South America.

The amounts of United States postage, sea and inland, were:

On the correspondence exchanged with Great Britain and the continent of Europe,.....$570,156 81

The British North American Provinces.... 162,485 28

And for West Indies, Central and South American mails..... 95,200 74

Total.....$827,842 83

The cost of the United States transatlantic service performed by steamships receiving the sea postage only was $405,479 56. Of this amount $213,330 29 was earned by the New-York, Queenstown and Liverpool (Dale) line; $71,106 70 by the Canadian line; $73,273 11 by the New-York, Southampton and Bremen; and $47,769 52 by the New-York, Southampton and Hamburg lines, respectively.

The cost of the ocean transportation of mails to and from West India ports by United States steamers, receiving different rates of compensation within the limit of the postages, was $250,863 90, being $21,178 08 less than the total postages on the mails conveyed. And $14,691 62 was paid for the sea and isthmus conveyance of the correspondence with Central and South America.

The excess of collections in this country over the postages collected abroad, upon the correspondence exchanged with Great Britain and the Continent of Europe, was $411,582 32, causing balances against this department on settlements of the quarterly accounts with the respective post departments, amounting to $232,439 55.

Full particulars of the foreign service are stated in the appendix.

No progress has been made in the negotiations of postal conventions with European countries on the basis of the resolutions adopted at the Paris international postal conference, and referred to in the last report.

A convention with Venezuela, which adopts the principal recommendations of the Paris Conference, and dispenses with postage accounts between the respective departments, has been agreed upon, and executed upon the part of the United States, and only awaits execution on the part of Venezuela.

The details of a convention with the United States of Colombia have been agreed upon, which it is expected will be concluded at an early day.

Additional articles to the United States and British Postal Convention have been executed, constituting Baltimore a new office of exchange on the side of the United States. A copy of these articles is annexed.

The service to Brazil, authorized by Act of May 28, 1864, has been put into operation, the first steamship of the line having left New-York with the mails for Brazil on the 30th of October last.

The contract for the mail steamship service to Japan and China was awarded, on the 28th of August last, to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, whose bid for the required service at the sum of $500,000 for twelve round trips per annum, between San Francisco and Hong-Kong, touching on the outward and homeward passages, to land and receive mails, at the port of Honolulu, in the Sandwich Islands, and the port of Kanagawa, in Japan, was the only one received under the advertisement of this department inviting proposals for the service. The company is to build four first-class sea-going steamships, of from 3,500 to 4,000 tons burden each, government measurement, and commence the service on or before the first of January, 1867.

By existing law, no provision is made for compensating sailing vessels conveying the mails to foreign ports. It is recommended that authority be given to the Postmaster-General to allow such vessels so employed compensation not to exceed the sea postage.

Prior to June 1, 1857, three lines of American steamships were employed in transporting the mails to and from Europe, receiving subsidies under special acts of Congress amounting to $1,208,000 per annum. The New-York and Liverpool (Collins) Line received an annual subsidy of $858,000 for twenty-six round trips, the New-York, Southampton and Bremen Line $250,000, and the New-York, Cowes and Havre Line $150,000, for twelve round trips each per annum.

The contracts with the Bremen and Havre lines expired on the 1st of June, 1857, and were not renewed; but temporary contracts were made with the proprietors to continue the service on both routes for the United States postages on the mails conveyed, thus inaugurating a system of self-sustaining ocean mail service, subsequently adopted as the policy of the government, by act of June 14, 1858, limiting the compensation to the sea and United States inland postage when the conveyance is by an American, and to the sea postage only when by a foreign vessel.

The service of the New-York and Liverpool (Collins) Line ceased in the month of February, 1858, since which time the mails have been carried between those ports for the postages.

In 1858, the average earnings per round trip of American steamships, receiving sea and inland postages, was $7,125 between New-York and Liverpool, $6,233 between New-York, Southampton and Bremen, and $7,491 between New-York, Southampton and Havre.

In 1859 American steamers received $199,361, averaging $7,663; and foreign steamers, employed as United States mail packets, $125,349, averaging $4,730 17 per trip.

In 1860 American steamers received $228,149, averaging $7,604; and foreign steamers $147,085, averaging $2,828 per trip.

In 1861 American steamers received $157,174, averaging $6,833; and foreign steamers $235,718, averaging $5,740 per trip.

In 1862 American steamers received $33,509, averaging $5,584; and foreign steamers $285,884, averaging $2,094 per trip.

In 1863 the entire transatlantic service was performed by foreign steamers, at the sea postages only, receiving $332,184, an average of $2,816 per trip.

In 1864 the earnings of foreign steamers were $371,740, an average of $2,795; and in 1865 $465,479, an average of $2,970 per trip.

During the rebellion American steamers engaged in the carrying trade between this country and Europe were withdrawn from service, resulting to the advantage of foreign lines which continued their regular voyages; and while the subsidies granted by Great Britain to the Cunard line, and by France to the line recently established between Havre and New-York, materially aided those lines, it does not follow that they would not have been self-supporting, and even remunerative, without such aid; neither has this department information warranting the conclusion that American lines would not have been sustained during the same period under the provisions of the existing law allowing the United States postage as compensation for the service.

The subject of subsidizing American lines to British ports may be presented to Congress at its approaching session. Although in the last report the policy was commended of granting incidental aid to certain classes of new routes, as of those to Brazil and China, no modification of the system, based upon the postage earnings, was proposed in favor of established routes. Results of this system in regard to the service on new as well as old routes are encouraging. As to the new, several lines have been established since the close of the war, to which less than the postages have been allowed. As to the old, application has been made to resume service by American steamers between New-York, Southampton, and Havre, for the sea and inland postage, as heretofore. Other lines to Great Britain are projected; one of which, between Baltimore and Liverpool, is in operation; and it is believed that our citizens directly interested in ocean steam navigation will establish lines at no distant time to all the important commercial ports of Europe.

It is urged, however, that there is no sufficient assurance of the permanency of such lines in view of the competing heavily subsidized mail packets of Great Britain and France, unless like subsidies are given by this government. While it would gratify our national pride to encourage the commercial enterprise of the country, through the agency of subsidies, in the establishment of steamship lines of the highest grade to all ports where foreign lines are or may be in operation, and which it cannot be denied would contribute to the earlier development of the commercial interests of the particular routes covered by such lines, this department is not prepared to recommend any departure from the established policy, not only because of the financial wants of the government, but in the absence of any necessity for special legislation on behalf of the postal service.

During the past year $405,479 was paid to foreign lines conveying the mails to and from Great Britain. If to this sum be added the United States inland postage, amounting approximately to $166,677, the amount which would have been available as compensation to American steamers for the same service was $570,156.

The argument in support of heavy subsidies as necessary to enable American lines to compete successfully with British steamers, loses much of its force when it is remembered that the postage earnings of the British contract packets on the mails which they convey are retained by the government and form a part of the revenues of the British post-office. The British portion of the postage—sea and inland—upon the mails exchanged with this country alone by means of the Cunard line during the past three years amounts (approximately) to $456,000; if to this sum be added the postage on the mails conveyed to and from the North American colonies, of which this department has no official data, but which must have been quite large, it will be found that the actual bonus paid to this line has exceed the postage earnings was small, although the nominal subsidy is $176,800.

It is also to be observed that Great Britain grants a subsidy to but a single line of steamships to the United States. If it was advisable for this government to grant a like monopoly to any single line of American steamers, it could be paid, under the provisions of the existing law, a liberal mail compensation equal to any subsidy that Congress would be likely to grant. But were it practicable to satisfy the conflicting claims of our principal Atlantic cities by granting a monopoly to a single line of steamers sailing from any one port, the effect of such a measure would be to retard rather than advance the general commercial prosperity of the country; and as it would be injudicious to subsidize separate lines from each of our Atlantic ports because of the large expenditure it would involve, it is submitted whether our commercial interests are not best advanced by the present mode of encouraging competition in ocean steam navigation. At least, the wiser course will be to postpone additional grants, in aid of ocean steam lines, until the system based upon postage earnings has had a fair trial in time of peace, and of greatly increased activity in commercial affairs.

APPOINTMENTS.

The number of post-offices established on the 30th of June, 1865, including suspended offices in Southern States, was 28,882; number subject to appointment by the President, 712; by the Postmaster-General, 26,170.

New offices established during the year, 886; offices discontinued, 682; changes of names and sites, 200.

Appointments made to fill vacancies caused by

Resignations.....3,575

Removals..... 925

Deaths..... 220

Changes of names and sites..... 132

Establishment of new offices..... 566

Total appointments.....5,447

Number of cases acted upon, 6,097.

The number of offices in the late disloyal States is 8,902 of which 1,051 were reopened on Nov. 15, 1865.

Number of route agents, 387; aggregate compensation, $229,822. Number of local agents, 51; aggregate compensation, $30,949. Number of special agents, 33; aggregate compensation, $82,790. Number of baggage-masters, 110; aggregate compensation, $6,600. Number of postal railway clerks, 64; aggregate compensation, $75,000.

The free-delivery system has been discontinued at 22 of the smaller offices, and is now in operation in 45 of the principal cities. The number of carriers employed was 757, at an aggregate compensation of $448,664 51.

Full particulars of the operations of the Appointment Office are shown in the appendix.

The attention of this department has been again called to the subject of erecting a new post-office building in the City of New-York. The Chamber of Commerce of that city have recently adopted a series of resolutions recommending the measure, in which it is urged that the present building, as regards its dimensions, accessibility by the public, and accommodations in general, is inadequate for the proper management of the large and constantly increasing postal business centering at New-York. The sanitary condition of the building and post-office employes is also reported by the medical officer as bad, owing to the want of sufficient room to accommodate the clerical force employed, and the impossibility of obtaining proper ventilation. If the proposed improvement can be made upon terms just to the government and the citizens of New-York, this department has no hesitation in commending the measure to the favor of Congress.

DEAD LETTERS.

The number of dead letters received, examined, and disposed of was 4,368,087, an increase of 859,262 over the previous year.

The number containing money, and remailed to owners, was 42,154, with inclosures amounting to $244,373 97. Of these, 36,268, containing $210,964 90, were delivered, leaving 6,886 undelivered, with inclosures of the value of $33,419 07. The number containing sums less than $1 was 16,709, amounting to $4,647 22, of which 12,688, containing $3,677 62, were delivered to the writers.

The number of registered letters and packages was 8,966.

The number of letters containing checks, bills of exchange, checks, and other papers of value, was 15,804, with a nominal value of $3,329,883, of which 13,746, containing $3,246,149, were delivered, leaving unclaimed 1,558, of the value of $83,739.

The number containing photographs, jewelry, and miscellaneous articles was 69,902. Of these, 41,600 were delivered, and 28,302 remained for disposal, or, being worthless, have been destroyed. The number of valuable letters sent out was 107,979; an increase of 38,792 over previous year.

There were returned to public offices, including franked letters, 28,677.

The number containing stamps and articles of small value was 8,389; and of unpaid and misdirected letters 166,215.

The number of ordinary dead letters returned to the writers was 1,188,599, and the number not delivered was 297,304, being about 23 per cent. of the whole. Of those not delivered, less than 4 per cent. were refused by the writers.

The number of foreign letters returned was 167,449, and the number received from foreign countries was 88,361. For additional particulars see Appendix.

In the last report the attention of Congress was called to the expediency of restoring prepaid letters to the owners free of postage. The measure is again commended, with the additional suggestion that letters be forwarded, at the request of the party addressed, from one Post-office to another without extra charge.

The number of letters conveyed in the mails during 1865 is estimated at 467,591,600. Of these, 4,868,087 were returned to the Dead-Letter office, including 566,097 army and navy letters, the non-delivery of which was not chargeable to the postal service, they having passed beyond its control into the custody of the military and naval authorities. Deducting 1,156,401 letters returned to writers, or held as valuable, the total number lost or destroyed was 2,869,424, or onein every two hundred mailed for transmission and delivery. Fully three-fourths of the letters returned as dead fail to reach the parties addressed through faults of the writers, so that the actual losses from irregularities of service and casualties, ordinary and incidental to the war, did not exceed one in every eight hundred of the estimated number intrusted to the mails.

The returns of dead letters from cities are largely in excess of proportions based upon population. To them special efforts have been directed to secure the most efficient service, and it is believed improvements in operation, chiefly that of free delivery, will diminish the number of undelivered letters at offices in densely populated districts.

The number of applications for missing letters was 8,664, an increase of 3,562 over previous year. A misapprehension prevails in regarding the Dead-Letter Office as a depository for the safe-keeping of undelivered letters, and not as the agent for their final disposal; to correct which the regulations are appended.

The amounts deposited in the treasury under act of 3d of March last were:

On account of sales of waste paper.....$9,420 67

Unclaimed dead-letter money..... 7,722 70

$17,143 37

Less than 25 per cent. of advertised letters are delivered. In some of the larger offices the proportion does not exceed 15 per cent. The payment of two cents for each letter advertised involves a yearly expenditure of about $60,000 for letters returned as dead to the department. Measures have been adopted to reduce the expense, and the advertising is now secured at one-half the rate allowed by law. An obstacle to this economy is found in the law requiring the list of letters to be published in two newspapers of largest circulation, which should be repealed, and the mode of advertising left to the discretion of the Post-master-General.

POSTAL MONEY-ORDER SYSTEM.

The number of offices is 419, including those in the Pacific States and Territories, and some of the principal offices in the Southern States. Orders have been issued for putting into operation fifty-five additional offices.

The number of money orders issued during the year was 74,277, of the value of.....$1,360,122 52

The number paid was 70,573, of the value of.....$1,291,792 22

Add amount repaid to purchasers..... 21,784 86—1,313,577 08

Amount outstanding..... $46,545 44

The number of duplicate orders was 422. Of these, 353 were issued to replace originals lost in the mails; 63 invalidated by age, and 3 by illegal indorsements.

The receipts were:

Fees on original orders.....$11,462 95

Fees on duplicate orders..... 71 95

Premium on exchange..... 1 50

Total.....$11,536 40

The expenditures were:

Commissions to Postmasters.....$2,226 27

Clerk hire..... 8,350 72

Bonds and stationery..... 5,225 00

Premiums on drafts..... 91 70

Miscellaneous, including furniture and fixtures..... 2,690 68—18,584 37

Excess of expenditures..... $7,047 97

This deficiency has been provided for by the appropriation of $100,000 of May last, leaving unexpended $92,952 03 applicable to any deficiency of the current year; and as the proceeds of the system will hardly equal the expenditures until it is more generally established, it is recommended that any balance remaining at the close of the present may be applied to the deficiency of the next fiscal year.

The maximum amount of money orders is $30, which may be judiciously increased to $50, and the restriction to sums not less than one dollar removed, retaining the present minimum fee.

Under the law, the owner of a lost certificate, to obtain a duplicate, must furnish a statement, under oath or affirmation, of its loss or destruction, and procure from the Postmaster by whom it was payable a certificate that the order has not and will not be paid. These requirements work a hardship to the party, in that they compel him to pay the customary fee to the officer administering the oath, the cost of a revenue stamp affixed to that oath, and the payment of a second fee for the duplicate order. The loss of orders is seldom chargeable to any neglect of the owners, and Postmasters should be authorized to administer oaths in cases of loss, and issue duplicate orders without charge.

The law would be further improved by extending the time within which the order may be paid to six months, the period now allowed, of ninety days, being too limited for the necessary correspondence between distant points.

Losses have occurred to the amount of $645, by reason of the carelessness of remitters, the burning of steamers, and other causes, not chargeable to the system.

MISCELLANEOUS.

It will be seen by reference to the accompanying report of the Auditor of the Treasury for this department, to which the special attention of Congress is invited, that the estimated amount of claims of contractors and others residing in the Southern States, chiefly those lately in insurrection, for services rendered previous to the rebellion, is not less than one million of dollars. Many of these claims have been presented, but none paid, under a rule adopted early in the war, of not paying claims to parties known to be engaged in the rebellion. The questions arising connected with this subject, applying alike to this and other executive branches of the government, are respectfully referred to the determination of Congress.

Balances were due from Southern postmasters at the outbreak of the rebellion, amounting to $369,027 87, few of which have been paid. Means are being employed, through courts and other agencies, to collect the amounts due to the government.

The closing of the war brought with it the necessity of restoring the postal service in the Southern States. No time was lost in offering to the citizens of those States all the facilities which they were in a condition to accept. Special agents were appointed to assist in the work of restoration. The Provisional Governors were notified of the readiness of the department to appoint postmasters upon their recommendation. They were also advised of its desire to put the mails on all the railroads within their respective States as soon as informed by them that the roads were ready to carry them, and the companies proper parties to intrust with their transportation. All applications for carrying the mails on land and water routes have been considered, and the service ordered at such rates of compensation as could be agreed upon.

Anticipating that the revenues from mail service in the South would be for some time considerably less than they were previous to the war, the necessity of reduced rates of compensation, and in many instances of reduced service, was obvious. This required new classifications of rates of payment to rail and water, and modifications of pay and service on land routes. Considerable reductions have been made in the maximum compensation to the first two classes of service, as the tables hereto appended exhibit. The reasonableness of these reductions has been generally appreciated by the contractors, and the mails are being transported by rail under contracts till the expiration of the current fiscal year, and by water till the 30th of June, 1869.

Greater difficulties have been encountered on the land routes, although the maximum rates adjusted by the amount of service to be performed are equal to the average of compensation allowed previous to the rebellion, except on certain routes where the former pay was excessive, and has been reduced.

Although the service has been restored in each of the Southern States, it is not so general as the department has desired on account of the want of the citizens of quire, because of the difficulty of procuring contractors and postmasters who can take the oath prescribed by the acts of July 2, 1862, and March 3, 1863, requiring uniform loyalty to the government during the rebellion as the condition of holding office and for the conveying of the mails.

Appended hereto is a circular letter, addressed to the special agents of the department, embodying the principles on which the postal service is being restored in the South.

The Post-office Department was established on the principle of defraying its expenses out of its revenues. Its financial history shows that its annual receipts have rarely equaled the expenditures. During the last year there was a surplus of revenue, a result the more gratifying because no part of the appropriation for franked matter has been drawn upon. But so favorable a result cannot be anticipated for the current year, in consequence of the expenditures incident to restoring the service in the Southern States, which promise proportionately small receipts, because of the confused condition of the commercial and industrial interests with n those States. It is hoped, however, that this unhappy condition will be but temporary, and that under their improved auspices as free communities their contributions to the postal revenues will soon exceed any in their past history.

Although, in view of the financial wants of the government, and the large demand for postal expenditures in the Southern States, this department could but deem unwise any present reduction of domestic postage, it appreciates the duty of the government to lessen all postage rates to the minimum of not preventing the department to support itself from its revenues, and it perceives no reason why, in a few years, with our rapidly increasing prosperity, aided by judicious legislation, a reduction may not be made to the maximum letter rate adopted by Great Britain with such beneficent results. Moreover, the hope is indulged that the experience of European governments will concur with that of this, in favor of an early reduction of the present high rates of international postage, which are greatly disproportionated to the necessary cost of the intermediate land and ocean transportation, and serious obstacles to postal intercourse, commercial and social, between this country and all parts of Europe.

Among the many remarkable facts illustrating the progress of the people of the loyal States during the rebellion, in almost every department of material development and social advancement, having no precedent in history, and confounding the predictions of all having little faith in the vitality of free institutions and the resources of a free people, that of the increase of postal correspondence, as shown by the postal revenues, is not the least interesting and suggestive. The maximum annual receipts of this department previous to the rebellion from all the States was $8,518,067 40, which was exceeded in the sum of $6,038,091 90 by the receipts of the last year from the loyal States alone. The revenues during the past four years amounted to $46,458,022 97, an average of $11,614,505 74 per annum. Compared with the receipts of the four years immediately preceding, which amounted to $30,325,-640 73, the annual average increase of revenue was $3,538,845 56, which has not resulted from any considerable additions to the service, the ratio of receipts to expenditures having been larger than, with a few exceptions, at any previous period. A proper regard to economy in administration, aided by larger contributions from all the States of the Union, will enable the department to increase its usefulness from year to year in all of its legitimate functions. But it must not be overlooked that the ability to fully perform its mission as the postal agent of the government is greatly impaired by the burdens imposed by the franking privilege, and expensive service upon routes established for other than postal purposes, the receipts from which are largely unremunerative. However much the establishment of these routes is to be commended for national objects, in which regard they command the approval of the country, it is not possible to see upon what principle they are wholly chargeable to the postal fund, which belongs to those by whom it has been contributed, and is pledged to meet the wants of the postal service.

The subjoined table illustrates the misapplication of the postal fund:

Routes.	Pay.	Receipts.	Excess of Pay.
Salt Lake City to Folsom	$398,000	$23,934 44	$726,065 56
Atchison to Salt Lake	365,000		
Kansas City to Santa Fé	35,743	6,536 57	29,206 43
Lincoln to Portland	225,000	24,791 67	200,208 33
The Dalles to Salt Lake	186,000	5,660 77	180,339 23
Total	$1,196,743	$60,923 45	$1,135,819 55

These are instructive facts, showing how largely the revenues of this department are drawn upon for general objects of administration not properly chargeable to the postal fund. If to this be added the revenue which would accrue upon "free matter," charged with existing rates of postage, but the sum annually appropriated therefor, it is estimated that not less than two millions of dollars per annum are lost to the department, preventing an enlargement of mail accommodations to that extent in those States from which the postal revenues are mainly derived. Respectfully submitted,

WM. DENNISON,
Postmaster-General.

The PRESIDENT.

THE NEW-JERSEY CENTRAL RAILROAD COLLISION.

Verdict of a Portion of the Jury.

The testimony produced on Tuesday before the Coroner's Jury which is investigating the circumstances of the recent collision on the New-Jersey Central Railroad, developed nothing new. Yesterday eight of the jury agreed to and signed the following verdict. The verdict of the remaining four members of the jury has not yet reached us:

New-Jersey, Hunterdon County, ss:—An inquisition indented and taken at the house of ELIJAH R. HALL, at the Whitehouse Depot, in the County of Hunterdon, commencing Dec. 1, and ending Dec. 4, 1865, before me, GEORGE VROOM, one of the Justices of the Peace of said county, upon the view of the bodies of Russel L. Chidsey, James Tyler, Edward Johnson, George W. Mitler, Edward Davis, Mary Francis and S. W. Edinger, there and near said place, lying dead, upon the oaths of Peter E. Voorhees, Isaac G. Stryker, Peter Voorhees, George V. Allpaugh, Peter Dilmans, John G. Pidcock, Henry Voorhees, Sylvester Low, E. R. Hall and Jacob Van Dorn, who allege they are conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath, good and lawful men of the county aforesaid, and who, being sworn and charged to inquire on the part of the State of New-Jersey, when, where, how and in what manner the said Russel L. Chidsey, James Tyler, Edward Johnson, George W. Mitler, Edward Davis, Mary Francis and S. W. Edinger came to their death, do say, upon their oaths, the following is a true and just report of our investigation, which is as follows: Feeling the importance and solemnity of the occasion which has convened us, we, the jurors summoned to inquire into the cause and circumstances attending the death of Russel L. Chidsey, James Tyler, Edward Johnson, George W. Mitler, Edward Davis, Mary Francis, and S. W. Edinger, submit the following as the result of our investigation: We find that the death of the above-enumerated was caused by the western express train running into a coal train, about midway between Lebanon and White House stations, on the Central Railroad, near Pickel's Mountain, in the County of Hunterdon, at a point very near a sharp curve in said railroad.

We find that the accident happened in consequence of a coal train being on the track on the time of the eastward express, without signal back a sufficient distance to prevent a collision. When the coal train was passing Lebanon-station, the regular freight on its time, was standing receiving and discharging freight. As the freight train was leaving the station the rear car of the train, loaded with hay, broke loose and ran down the mountain, assisted by a strong wind which was then blowing from the west; pursued by the freight conductor and brakeman of the train, in the face of the westward-bound express, which was then about due; the engineer and conductor of said coal train, the express train coming on the down track. They saw that the car was going ahead fast down the grade, and that a most disastrous accident was inevitable, unless he (my car, then running down on the north track, could be stopped. The conductor said to the engineer, "Go on, and stop the express train coming up, and I will try and stop the hay car." He jumped from his train while moving at its usual rate of speed, threw a cross-tie on the track, but not succeeding in this, he grasped for the car, and caught hold of the rope that bound the hay upon the car, and its speed was so great that it picked him off his feet; but with the strength of his arm he drew himself up on the car, and, climbing over the hay, gained the platform, put on the brake and stopped it about one thousand feet from the curve in the road; he immediately started down the mountain to flag the westward bound express train, fearing that his engineer might not have succeeded in stopping it; when about one-half the distance from the curve he saw the express rounding it steady, and motioned to the engineer to come on; pointed to the hay-car, and informed him that it was stopped; the conductor then passed down the mountain, supposing that his train had reached White House; in the meantime the engineer of the coal train, who had passed the curve and reversed his train, losing sight of the hay-car still coming blew "on brakes," and when he had rounded the curve so that he could see the straight track, saw the express coming up the grade about a mile from the train; he at once blew "on brakes" and reversed his engine, and was trying to stop the express when he noticed by the engineer he then jumped from his train, which was still in motion, and ran across the north track to a point where he could be seen by the engineer, and signaled him to stop; ran down to meet the train and informed him of what had happened he then ran back to his engine, blew "off brakes" and started with his train down the mountain, but directly saw that his train had parted, in consequence of a coupling breaking. He immediately blew on brakes and blew the whistle, gave proper signal to go back to his flagmen, which was obeyed, and met the express coming around the curve, too near to prevent the collision. We also appears that the disaster was caused by an accident occurring to the coal train, after its stopping had prevented what must have proved under all the circumstances a far more serious accident, the accident to the coal train taking place at such a place and at such a time that it gave those in charge of it no opportunity to stop the approaching train from the West, and consequently placed it beyond their power to prevent the sad catastrophe.

Deeply lamenting the sad occurrence which has resulted so fatally to the unfortunate ones who have been so suddenly deprived of life, and appreciating as far as possible the feelings of the friends of the deceased, we cannot, after a thorough examination of all the evidence given by the several witnesses, attach blame to any of the employes on the train, or to the company. Believing, as we do, that a flagman ought to be placed on all the curves of the road where the cuts are too deep to see beyond, we would recommend that the company place a flagman at all such places. We also further recommend that the Superintendent of the road give a little more time between the express and heavy loaded trains.

In witness whereof, as well the Coroner as the following jurors, have to this inquisition, this 4th day of December, 1865.

GEORGE W. VROOM, Coroner.
PETER E. VOORHEES, Foreman.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—DEC. 6, 1865.

$35,000 U. S. 6s, '81....C	107¼	100 Mariposa Pref	21¾
50,000 U.S. 5-20s. C. '62	101⅜	100 Union Nav. Co	10
20,000 do	101⅜	200 N. Y. Cen. R	98
10,000 U.S.6s.5-20s.C.'64	99⅞	100 do	b30 98
1,500 U.S.6s,5-20s. C.'65	99	50 do	s 97¾
Small	99⅛	100 do	3d call 98
12,000 do	99⅞	500 Erie Railroad	93
52,500 U. S.5s,10-40s..C.	91	2000 do	92¾
24,000 do	90⅞	400 do	92¾
5,200 Tr. Notes, 73-10s. First Ser	97⅜	100 do	b30 92¾
5,000 do	97⅞	200 do	s30 92¾
20,000 do Sec. Ser.	97	100 do	3d call 93
23,000 U.S. 6s, 1 Yr. Cer. New issue	97⅛	100 Hud. R. R	103¾
2,000 do	97⅜	100 Long Island R	75
5,000 Tenn. 6s	88	200 Reading R	116¾
4,000 N. Car. 6s	80¾	100 do	s30 116¾
500 Louisiana 6s	75	500 do	2d call 117
5,000 Erie 6th M	90¾	100 do	b15 117¾
500 N. Y. C. 6s, '53	90¼	100 Mich. Cen	s30 116
2,000 Mich. So. & N. Ins. S.	83¾	600 Mich. S. & N. I	78¾
1,000 Tr. W. 1st M. 8s	91	1000 do	78¾
3,000 Ak. & T. H. Inc	73	400 Cleve. & Pitts	94¾
5,000 Chi. & Al. In. B	85	3500 do	94¾
5,000 M. & Mo. L. G. Bs	41¾	1000 do	94¾
10 Galatin Nat. Bank	100	200 do	s60 94¾
10,000 Am. Gold	s15 147¾	400 do	94¾
20,000 do 2d call	b30 147¾	200 do	s60 95
30,000 do	s30 147¾	900 do	2d call 94¾

SECOND BOARD.

$5,000 U. S. 6s, '81....C	107¼	100 Mariposa Pref	21¾
10,000 U. S.6s,5-20s. C.'62	102⅜	200 do	21¾
60,000 do	s10 102⅜	100 New-York Cen	97¾
20,000 U.S.6s.5-20s.C.'65	99¾	100 Erie Railroad	92¾
56,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40s.C.	91¼	100 Hud. Riv. R	s10 103¾
85,000 Tr. Notes, 73-10s. Second Ser	97	600 Cleve. & Pitts	94¾
10,000 do 3d Series	97	200 do	94¾
19,000 Missouri 6s	72	200 Reading R	s10 117
		700 Mich. S. & N. I	78¾

GENERAL MARKETS.

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, Dec. 6, 1865.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been 14 pkgs. Ashes, 26,187 bbls. Flour 2,720 bags Corn Meal, 198,980 bushels Wheat, 149,469 bushels Corn, 14,176 bushels Rye, 26,273 bushels Barley, 14,398 bushels Malt, 124,461 bushels Oats, 25 bbls. Pork, 181 pkgs. Cut Meats, 430 pkgs. Lard, 397 bbls. Beef, and 190 bbls. Whisky.

—Nothing new in Ashes or Coffee; stock of the latter 39,293 pkgs....Cotton has been in very moderate demand and heavy, Middlings closing heavily at 49c.@50c. ℔ lb., on sales and resales of 2,500 bales; estimated stock in this port 187,000 bales....Flour has been in less

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GROUND COFFEE, 20c., 25c., 30c., 35c.; best, 40c. per pound. Hotels, saloons, boarding-house keepers and families who use large quantities of Coffee, can economize in that article by using our FRENCH BREAKFAST and DINNER COFFEE, which we sell at the low price of 30c. per pound, and warranted to give perfect satisfaction.

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Country Clubs, Hand and Wagon Peddlers, and small stores (of which class we are supplying many thousands, all of which are doing well) can have their orders promptly and faithfully filled; and, in case of clubs, can have each party's name marked on their packages, as directed, by sending their orders to Nos. 31 and 33 Vesey-st. We return thanks to parties who have taken an interest in getting up clubs.

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The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, THURSDAY, DEC. 7, 1865.

Amusements this Evening.

BROOKLYN ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
Montague-st., near City Hall.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 7, commencing at 7½ o'clock. Grand gala night: CRISPINO E LA COMARE.

ARTISTS' FUND SOCIETY.
4th-av. and 23d-st.
THIS DAY AND EVENING—Sixth Annual Exhibition of PAINTINGS and STATUARY of the Society.

DERBY ART GALLERY.
Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker sts.
THIS DAY AND EVENING—Huntington's REPUBLICAN COURT, or, Mrs. Washington's Reception Day.

NIBLO'S GARDEN
Broadway, between Prince and Houston sts.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 7, commencing at 7½ o'clock. METAMORA. Characters by Forrest, J. McCullough, J. W. Collier, Messrs. Burnett, Ralston, Holmes, Nunan, Barry, Rendle; Misses Farren, Agnes Perry, and others.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 7, commencing at 8 o'clock. LOST IN LONDON: Characters by Messrs. J. W. Wallack, Charles Fisher, Young, J. C. Williamson, Browne, Pope, Graham and Ward, Misses Madeline Henriques, Fanny Morant, Mary Barrett and Green.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker sts.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 7, commencing at 7¾ o'clock. MONTE CRISTO: Characters by Messrs. E. L. Davenport, Morton, Hind, Garrison, Lewis, Stoddard, Selwyn, Rockwell, Scott, Stanley; Misses Eliza Newton, Louisa Myers and Kate Newton.

WINTER GARDEN.
Broadway, between Bleecker and Amity sts.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 7, commencing at 8 o'clock. The OCTOROON; or, Life in Louisiana: Characters by Messrs. J. S. Clarke, Chas. Walcot, Jr., John Dyott, J. G. Hanley, Andrews, Bland, Miss Rose Eytinge, Mrs. C. Walcot, Kate Morton, Miss Andrews and others.

BROADWAY THEATRE.
Broadway, between Grand and Broome-sts.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 7, commencing at 7½ o'clock. SAM: Principal characters by Messrs. Chanfrau, Parsloe, and others; and Miss Olive Logan.

NEW BOWERY THEATRE.
Bower, between Canal and Hester sts.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 7, commencing at 7½ o'clock. FORTY THIEVES—WAR IN CHINA—JACK SHEPPARD—GEO. BARRINGTON—THREE CRACKSMEN—YANKEE TARS IN CHINA.

FOX'S OLD BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, between Bayard and Canal sts.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 7, commencing at 7½ o'clock. SINBAD THE SAILOR—THE VALLEY OF DIAMONDS: Characters by Mr. G. L. Fox, Miss Fanny Herring, THE MOMENTOUS QUESTION: Characters by Messrs. Whalley, Mestayer, Marden, and Miss Denvil.

BARNUM'S NEW MUSEUM.
Broadway, between Spring and Prince sts.
THIS AFTERNOON, Dec. 7, at 2 o'clock, and THIS EVENING at 7½ o'clock, THE QUEEN'S PAGE: Characters by Messrs. Daly, Hadaway, Jamieson, Wilton, Anderson, Mrs. Prior and Mrs. Jamieson. CIRCUS and the Living Curiosities.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS AND HIPPOTHEATRON.
14th-st., opposite the Academy of Music.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 7, commencing at 8 o'clock, JAMES ROBINSON and a complete troupe of Equestrian and Gymnastic Performers.

WOOD'S MINSTRELS.
Broadway, between Broome and Spring sts.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 7, commencing at 8 o'clock, ETHIOPIAN MINSTRELSY and a FAIR FENIAN FIGHT FOR FREEDOM by the company.

BRYANT'S MINSTRELS.
Broadway, between Grand and Broome sts.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 7, commencing at 7½ o'clock, Bryant's NEW STUMP SPEECH, THE PAWNBROKERS, and a variety of Ethiopian performances.

TEMPLE OF MUSIC.
Corner of Grand and Crosby-sts.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 7, commencing at 7½ o'clock, THORPE AND OVERIN'S MINSTREL NATIONALITIES.

COOPER INSTITUTE.
Astor-place, between Third and Fourth avenues.
THIS AFTERNOON and EVENING, Dec. 7, commencing at 3 and 8 o'clock. CONCERT by THEODORE THOMAS and his celebrated orchestra; Effie Parkhurst, Mrs. Parkhurst, Prof. Dispacker.

HOPE CHAPEL.
Broadway, between Fourth-street and Astor-place.
THIS AFTERNOON, Dec. 7, commencing at 3 o'clock. MAGIC and NECROMANCY, by Prof. and Mme. Wiseman.

THE STUDIO BUILDINGS.
No. 15 Tenth-street, near Sixth-avenue.
THIS DAY and EVENING, Dec. 7, from 10 A. M. to 10 P. M. Fourth Exhibition of FRENCH, ENGLISH and FLEMISH PICTURES, by celebrated artists.

NO EVENING EDITION TO-DAY.

No evening editions of the TIMES will be issued to-day, in view of the observance of the National Thanksgiving.

To Advertisers.

Advertisers in the TIMES are requested to bring in their notices at as early an hour in the day as possible. If received after 7½ o'clock, it will be impossible to classify them under their proper heads.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate yesterday very little business of importance was transacted. The standing committees were announced. They do not differ essentially from those of last year. Mr. SUMNER introduced a series of resolutions in regard to the appointment of officials in the States lately in rebellion who had not taken the prescribed oath. Objection was made and the resolutions went over till Monday. Several bills of minor importance were introduced and appropriately referred, and the Senate then adjourned till Monday.

In the House a bill was introduced by Mr. THAYER to amend the act declaring the officer who shall act as President of the United States in case of the death, resignation, removal or disability of the President. It was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Mr. STEVENS introduced a bill to permit wounded soldiers accepting employment under the government to receive pensions at the same time. It was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions. A joint resolution was introduced and laid over, to amend the article of the constitution prohibiting a tax on exports. It was referred to the Judiciary Committee. A resolution was submitted and laid over, calling upon the President for information in regard to the reëstablishment of slavery in Mexico. Mr. WASHBURNE introduced a resolution, which was referred to the Military Committee, reviving the rank of General. Mr. WENTWORTH, of Illinois, introduced a resolution for the relief of Mrs. LINCOLN. It provides that full payment be made of the salary of her late husband, considering the circumstances under which he came to his death. The resolution was referred to the Committee on the Memorial to the late President.

FROM EUROPE.

The steamship *Hibernian* arrived at Portland yesterday, with one day's later news from Europe. Her news is not important. A very violent gale prevailed on the English coast on the 22d ult. More vessels were driven ashore near Plymouth than for many years. STEPHENS, the Fenian Head Centre, escaped from prison on the morning of the 24th. The cattle disease is reported to be on the increase in England. Numerous encounters are reported between the Pontifical gendarmes and the Brigands, the former displaying great energy. The Paris merchants had held a meeting in regard to the Spanish-Chilian affairs, and adopted a petition to the Emperor, praying him to use his influence for a settlement of the dispute by arbitration.

GENERAL NEWS.

Through a telegram received by President JOHNSON last evening, we have the gratifying intelligence that the Georgia Legislature has adopted the Constitutional Amendment, and taken the initiatory steps for the passage of a Freedmen's Code, which shall ensure them the rights of person and property, including that of testifying in the courts of justice. This is the fourth rebel State and the twenty-eighth in all, that have ratified the Amendment, which completes the number requisite to its final adoption.

The American and Freedmen's Aid Commission have issued a circular appealing to the churches to devote their Thanksgiving offerings, in part, at least, to the destitute freedmen. As an indication of the needs of these people and the draft on the society, the Freedmen's Bureau state that unless some provision is made 30,000 in Georgia and 40,000 in Alabama will not only suffer but absolutely perish before the Winter is over. Bishop SIMPSON is President of this society, and JACOB R. SHIPHERD, Secretary. The general office is located in Washington City. Under the direction of officers so well known and highly respected, the society cannot fail to secure the confidence, as its object invites the sympathies of the people, without regard to ecclesiastical distinctions. Contributions can be sent to GEO. C. WARD, Treasurer, No. 56 Wall-st., or JOSEPH B. COLLINS, No. 40 Wall-street.

A Fenian excitement has broken out in the Province of New-Brunswick. It was reported that the authorities had received a warding from Washington that an attack was planned. At St. John and other points on the frontier precautionary measures were taken.

By the way of San Francisco we receive intelligence of remarkable discoveries of gold at Big Bend, Vancouver's Island. A $4,000 nugget had been found, and it was an ordinary thing for the miners to make $300 a day.

The British ship *Aloyone*, of St. John, N. B., from Liverpool for Baltimore, went ashore north of Hatteras, on the 27th ult., and was abandoned. The Captain and crew were taken on board by the *Washington*, bound for Wilmington, N. C.

LOCAL NEWS.

The trial of GOODRIDGE and another against The National Fire Insurance Company, was commenced yesterday in the Superior Court, Part 2, before Chief-Justice ROBERTSON and a jury. There are some very important principles of law involved in the case. The difficulty arises out of the destruction by fire of JACKSON & WOODRUFF'S bonded warehouses, at the foot of Joralemon-street, Brooklyn, on the 15th of July, 1864, where there was stored a large quantity of nitrate of soda. The value of this article owned by plaintiffs, and on store there at the time, was near $50,000. They were insured in several companies, and among others the plaintiffs had, as they claim, an insurance with the National Fire Insurance Company, the defendants, of $5,000 on this article of merchandise. The company have, in their answer, set up several distinct defences, prominent among which are that the policy did not cover the property destroyed, and that the plaintiffs are not, and were not, at the time of the commencement of the action, the real parties in interest. Distinguished counsel are engaged on either side. The trial will probably occupy several days.

This week, considering that it is the first of the December Term, is rather a broken one for the law courts—election on Tuesday, and to-day Thanksgiving, which will be observed as a general holiday. Both of the Trial Terms of the Common Pleas have adjourned to Monday next, for want of jurors. In two of the three Circuits, there was very little business transacted yesterday. They have all adjourned until Friday. The calendar of Part 1, Superior Court, will not be called until Monday, the 11th inst., that branch being still occupied with the Strong divorce case. Mr. MCKEON occupied the entire day, yesterday, in opening to the jury Mrs. STRONG'S side of the story. The Oyer and Terminer will commence on Monday, before Justice SUTHERLAND.

About 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon the four-story building Nos. 14 and 16 Front-street, occupied by PATTERSON BROS. and C. C. COFFIN, fell from the immense weight of flour stored on the upper floors. The buildings were being closed up at the time and only two persons were near them, JOHN WILSON and JAMES HOGAN, both of whom were severely injured. The building No. 16 is said to have been built five years ago on the old foundation which was very insecure. No. 14 was formerly a dwelling-house. The loss on the property stored in the building will be considerable as a number of the flour barrels were crushed in and their contents scattered about the street.

PATRICK MCCUDDEN, an officer attached to the Court of General Sessions was shot yesterday afternoon in the porter-house corner of Broome and Marion streets, and it is feared fatally injured. The assailant was PATRICK DWYER, a bar-keeper, and the assault grew out of revengeful feelings engendered by the result of the recent election. MCCUDDEN received a dangerous wound in the abdomen, and was at last accounts suffering from internal hemorrhage. DWYER was arrested and committed to await the results of MCCUDDEN'S injuries.

The trial of the action entitled LEMUEL SISSON *vs.* JOHN BUZBY, et al, was commenced yesterday, in the Circuit Court, Part 2, before Justice BARNARD and a jury. It involves to some extent the value of certain alleged gold mines in Nova Scotia, and especially the question as to the soundness of the institution known as the "New-York and Nova Scotia Gold Mining Company." The trial was not concluded when the court adjourned. The plaintiff seeks to recover $35,000 for alleged fraudulent representations made by one BENJAMIN C. BUZBY, deceased, to the plaintiff.

At a meeting of the Board of Education, last evening, nominations of School Inspectors, to serve three years from Jan. 1, 1866, were received from Mayor GUNTHER. The subject of corporeal punishment was discussed, and a committee reported upon the expediency of closing the schools against the children of non-residents. The board ordered that the schools be closed on Friday, to enable the teachers to spend Thanksgiving with their friends in the rural districts.

Coroner COLLIN yesterday commenced an inquest at the Fifteenth Precinct Station-house, on the body of the unknown boy who was killed by the collision of a Third-avenue car and a Harlem Railroad freight car. Several witnesses was examined, among them both the drivers, and the inquest was adjourned over to Friday afternoon.

WM. ROSS WALLACE, a few days ago, delivered a poem entitled "The Apotheosis of American Labor." It is highly commended in the Philadelphia papers. Mr. WALLACE informs us that he proposes to use it, in connection with a paper on "Peter the Great," as a lecture this Winter before sundry associations.

A monster meeting of workingmen was held last evening at Cooper Institute to institute an organization having in view the limiting of working hours to eight each day. The hall was crowded, and the platform well supplied with speakers, who delivered stirring addresses till 10:30 o'clock, when the meeting dispersed, well satisfied with the demonstration.

The Custom-house frauds were up again yesterday for further hearing before Justice DOWLING, but, owing to the unavoidable absence of the counsel for the prosecution, the case was adjourned till Saturday morning, at 10:30 o'clock.

Mr. HENRY LOW, of Ridgewood, Long Island, was fatally injured yesterday afternoon by being thrown from his wagon while driving in the Cypress Hill road. Mr. Low was removed to Breck's Hotel, where he died within a few minutes.

Government Stocks were up and Gold down, yesterday, on the President's Message. Gold fell from 148⅛ to 146⅜ per cent. Money easy and Exchange on London steady. The Stock Exchange was generally higher, and a considerable business done on an improved feeling in the market.

Grant's Report—The Campaigns and the Commanders.

There is nothing in military literature or history comparable with the report of Lieut.-Gen. U. S. GRANT, which was published complete in the TIMES of yesterday. It is more compact than CÆSAR, more lucid than JOMINI, more pungent than NAPIER. It covers the operations of a mightier army, operating over a vaster surface, than ever was marshaled by any Commander. It will command the attention of the soldiers of the world, and will be read by the generations as long as the great war of secession is remembered. The report embraces but one year out of the four years of war. But it was a year in which such multitudinous battles were fought and won—in which such a bewildering mass of movements were made from points all but innumerable—in which such a number of commanding officers figured honorably or otherwise—that it seems in perusing the report, which embraces the whole in its scope, as if we were reading of a century of battles covering the surface of the world.

Gen. GRANT'S task as a military reporter was by no means easy. Not that it was so difficult for him to make a compact record of the greater and lesser campaigns which he directed and superintended—though that was by no means a simple matter. Not that the mere extent of territory covered, magnitude of numbers involved, or complexity of operation included, made clearness of statement hard—though they almost necessarily did so. But the most difficult of all matters of treatment in such a report was that of *personality*—that which established the historical position, fixed the station of honor or dishonor for all time to come, of each of the prominent officers holding command under the Lieutenant-General. What Gen. GRANT, in this report, says about any of his subordinates, about their campaigns or actions, is, as near as may be, the final verdict. The judgments are hardly, in any case, reversible. Parties who consider themselves aggrieved may make explanations, put forth rebutting testimony, write elaborate pamphlets or books in reply. But the latter will be known to few, and will quickly pass away and be forgotten, while the original verdict of the Lieutenant-General in each case will stand permanently and unaffected. This put a great and perilous responsibility upon the eminent reporter, not merely from an individual, but from a public point of view. It called for such a clear knowledge of all the facts, such a large sense of justice, such freedom from selfishness, favoritism and passion, such perfect independence of character, and such courage of statement, that we could hardly expect to find any one gifted with all these qualifications.

In nearly all cases GRANT gives confirmation to what was the popular judgment of the hour. SHERMAN, SHERIDAN, SCHOFIELD and THOMAS were the admired of the people, as they are the praised of GRANT. With others, as BANKS and GILLMORE, he is significantly silent. ROSECRANS he speaks of rather harshly; Baldy SMITH he treats severely, and with BUTLER he deals at once scornfully, and, in a Western sense, viciously. To HUNTER he gives credit for various merits, while numerous officers of only less eminence than these, are dismissed with significant or insignificant praise or blame. In some of these and other instances, it must be allowed, the judgment of the country—less capable and less well informed, of course, than that of Gen. GRANT—has heretofore differed from that officially put forth in this report. GILLMORE was always a renowned name with the people; Baldy SMITH had a reputation which was not diminished by his removal from active service; ROSECRANS stood for two years among the foremost names in the army of the Union; while, on the other hand, we think that so far as public opinion was concerned, Gen. HUNTER only got credit for a minimum amount of soldierly capacity. Except with the political and personal partisans of Gen. BUTLER, we imagine that GRANT'S criticisms upon his military career will be considered severely just. BUTLER is charged with direct violation of orders in one case, with impertinent assumption in another, and again and again with the grossest incapacity in the management of his army, followed by the most damaging results; and he states that finally his request for his removal was peremptory. In all the judgments and estimates of action and character, however, Gen. GRANT is thoroughly unimpassioned and self-possessed; and if occasionally he uses vigorous language, he generally leaves the impression that it is justified by fact.

Near the close of his report, after recounting in compact detail all the events of the year's history, Gen. GRANT sets forth his estimate of the relative warlike capacities of the soldiers from the Eastern and Western sections of the country. It was his fortune, he says, to see both of them fighting battles, and he gives it as the result of all his observation that there is no difference in their fighting qualities; while, elsewhere, in the same paragraph, he gives the enemy credit for the most herculean deeds of valor on the field of battle. So that, in this respect, Gen. GRANT puts all Americans from all sections upon a level. We imagine that his judgment upon this matter also would now be confirmed by the people of all parts of the United States.

The Treasury Report—No More Borrowing.

In our brief review of Mr. MCCULLOCH'S report yesterday we assumed that *he would not want as much* as one hundred and twelve millions to make good his budget from the 1st of October last to the 30th of June next, and that *he would receive more* than one hundred and eleven millions in taxes, customs, &c., in excess of his budget for the next fiscal year, 1866. These errors of the Secretary, if errors they should prove, as we confidently believe they will, are, of course, on the safe side—on the side of prudence and precaution, so far as the unseen or unexpected contingencies of the next eighteen months are taken into the account. But we have substantial reasons to believe, and we state them in justice to the constantly improving finances of the government, that the first estimate, referred to above, of the receipts and expenditures of the last nine months of the current fiscal year, observes extreme and unnecessary caution, and the sequel will prove that no further borrowing to the increase of the total of the public debt will occur within these nine months.

1. Two months of the nine have already elapsed. The debt on the 1st of October was $2,744,000,000, after deducting the cash balances—$88,977,000—in the Treasury. On the 1st of December (inst.) it stood $2,714,000,000, after deducting $91,811,000 cash balances in the Treasury. Here is an actual reduction of *thirty millions*. To place the debt, therefore, at $2,856,000,000 on the 30th of June next, by the addition of $112,000,000, as estimated, would imply a deficit of $152,000,000 in the income of the remaining seven months, which cannot be deemed as probable.

2. The Customs are estimated for the nine months at only $100,000,000. In October and November they were $30,000,000, say $21,000,000 at New-York, and at least $7,000,000 at the out ports. These are two of the dullest months of the nine, according to the ordinary run of the foreign trade, but, this point out of the question, the rate of only $15,000,000 per month would give $135,000,000 for the nine months, in place of $100,000,000. The premium on the surplus $35,000,000, say $15,000,000, should be added to the $30,000,000 estimated for miscellaneous receipts.

3. The internal revenues of the same period are estimated at only $175,000,000, or less than $20,000,000 per month. The actual receipts of October and November were at the rate of full $25,000,000 per month, and thus far in December indicate nearer $30,000,000. The succeeding six months should give at least $137,500,000, according to the Secretary's own estimate, for the succeeding fiscal year, though it is more likely to be $150,000,000.

To sum up:

	Estimate of Report.	Actual and Probable.
Unappropriated Oct. 1	$67,158,515	$67,158,515
Gold Customs to June 30	100,000,000	135,000,000
Internal Taxes to June 30	176,000,000	222,800,000
Lands and Miscellaneous	30,500,000	45,500,000
Together	$372,658,515	$470,158,515
To pay all Requisitions	484,853,462	484,853,462

It may be said with truth that the Secretary could well afford to estimate for a possible deficiency for the remainder of the current fiscal year, because he felt quite sure of a corresponding surplus for the next fiscal year, the application of which to the public debt would at least reduce the total to where it stood on the 1st October. But the point we desire to make, is, that the debt which stood twelve millions below the maximum on 1st October, and forty-two millions below the maximum on 1st December, is not likely, under any probable contingencies, to be increased—in other words, *we are to have no more borrowing*. The funding of existing obligations is, of course, excepted.

We are quite well assured that the Secretary also errs on the safe side in estimating for a surplus of $111,682,818 next year, provided the estimates of expenditure for the army, navy and civil service are within the mark. We recapitulate:

Fiscal Year 1866-7.	Estimates of Report.	Probable Income.
From Customs in Gold	$100,000,000	$150,000,000
Internal Taxes	275,000,000	350,000,000
Miscellaneous and Lands	21,000,000	21,000,000
Total Income	$396,000,000	$521,000,000
To pay Interest	141,542,000	141,542,000
Balance	$254,458,000	$379,458,000
Support of Government	142,776,000	142,776,000
Applicable to P. Debt.	$111,682,000	$236,682,000

The income from customs, in gold, for the first quarter of the *present* fiscal year—July 1 to Sept. 30—is officially reported $47,009,583, or at the rate of $188,000,000 per annum. The income from internal taxes, $96,618,885, or at the rate of $386,475,000 per annum. On this basis it will be seen that the figures which we have given as the probable income of the next fiscal year are less extravagant than the figures of the report are extra prudent. In either point of view, however, it is quite certain that no increase of the public debt is likely to occur after the end of the current fiscal year. And it is almost as impossible that any increase will occur within the year.

The President's Interpretation of the Monroe Doctrine.

There is no question that the words of the President on foreign aggressions upon this continent in the interests of monarchy have great significance.

There is no threat in them to wound the most sensitive French honor, but there is a very plain statement of the feeling and conviction of the nation. We have consistently and carefully refrained from propagating republicanism in Europe by any other than moral means, and we expect a like moderation from European Powers in regard to propagating monarchy in America. But, says the President, with the tone becoming a discussion on so important a question: "We should regard it as a great calamity to ourselves, to the cause of good government, and to the peace of the world, should any European Power challenge the American people, as it were, to the defence of republicanism against foreign interference. We cannot foresee and are unwilling to consider what opportunities might present themselves, what combinations might offer, to protect ourselves against designs inimical to our form of government. The United States desire to act in the future as they have ever acted heretofore; they never will be driven from that course but by the aggression of European Powers; and we rely on the wisdom and justice of those Powers to respect the system of non-interference which has so long been sanctioned by time, and which, by its good results, has approved itself to both continents."

This language precisely reflects the feeling of the nation on this question. They would regard a war with France as a great calamity, both to this country and to the world; they are disposed to proceed with the utmost moderation; still they could never do otherwise than consider the French establishment by force of a monarchy in Mexico as "a challenge to the defence of republicanism against foreign interference." A martial nation like the French will understand our feelings by imagining what the sentiments of the first French Republic would have been if Germany had forced a monarchy on Switzerland; or still nearer, what the feelings of the present government would be if the Republicans of Europe, in combination with the United States, had founded a republic on the Rhine, existing only by American aid.

A foreign monarchy forced on a sister republic is a standing "challenge" to the United States. As a mere matter of interest there would be no great motive to object to MAXIMILIAN'S kingdom. We should undoubtedly carry on as much trade with a French monarchical Mexico as with a native republican Mexico. No monarchy could ever weaken our republican influence on this continent. We have nothing to fear from a French Mexico. A hundred thousand French bayonets in that kingdom would be as nothing to the force we could bring into the field. Moreover, the barren plains between Texas and the fertile parts of Mexico would be a sufficient protection against a foreign Power in that country, while on the sea no European Power would have anything like the force and advantages we should necessarily possess.

A French monarchy in Mexico is no real source of danger to us. Neither does the United States desire the possession or absorption of Mexico. It would be a great misfortune to this country to incorporate her in the Union, even if her people were willing. Those half-breeds and miserable mixtures of Indians and negroes and whites would never be suited to our institutions or civilization. There is no hope or wish among our people to annex Mexico. Still, notwithstanding all this, the setting up of a monarchy on the ruins of a republic, on this continent, and the time and mode chosen for this act of aggression, cannot but be always felt as an insult by the masses of our people. They see and watch the grand struggle in Europe between Democracy and Imperialism or Aristocracy.

They know that the Emperor NAPOLEON is, by choice, both in literature and the more earnest world of fact, the great defender of Imperialism in Europe. They must consider this invasion of the American continent as a coming out of his way to throw down the gauntlet to republicanism in America. They consider it a plain declaration of war—not of nations, but of principles—made on this side of the ocean, by the great representative of arbitrary power from the other. Moreover, they know not where this is to end. An interference in Mexico to found a monarchy may justify an interference somewhere else, to found a dependency of a European State on the ruins of some republic. Our own Southern States might not be out of all danger of a foreign "establishment of order." This popular sentiment is expressed by the President, but evidently with the hope, shared by all the people, that the French Emperor, seeing the hopelessness of forcing a throne on the Mexicans, will withdraw his forces and leave MAXIMILIAN to his fate.

Still, the earnest words succeeding show that the President does not propose to wait as long or as patiently as Italy has done for the withdrawal of the French troops from Rome. No indefinite Algerian occupation will be permitted here. The President evidently hints at "combinations" and "opportunities" which we should employ in our defence, that would be most perilous to Imperialism in Europe. He will not allow himself to "foresee" or "consider" them, but we know well that the United States always has an ally in Europe, and that Democracy, though crushed there, is by no means dead. There are invasions in the interests of liberty, as well as of Imperialism, and thrones may be overturned as well as erected.

The President does not permit himself to "consider" this. But the people can. Perhaps the President does not allow himself to "foresee" what a rival to the French throne might do on the French coast, with an American navy to back him. We, however, of the people, may be permitted to consider all these possible combinations in the last dreaded issue.

Let us hope that the serious and respectful words of the President may be carefully weighed by so intelligent a ruler as the French Emperor, and a struggle avoided which, as Mr. JOHNSON says, would be "a calamity to this country and the world."

The Postal Money-Order System.

The Postmaster-General may fairly be congratulated on the progress and success of the money-order branch of his department. It has grown as fast as was safe or expedient. It has safely transmitted a vast amount of money—nearly a million and a half dollars in small sums; and, including all the incidental expenses of creating a new branch, it has cost the country, over and above the receipts from fees, but the mere *bagatelle* of seven thousand dollars. This a safe and sure business. There are (or will be when restoration is completed) nearly thirty thousand post-offices within the States and Territories of the Union. Of this number, less than two per cent. are thus far intrusted with the issue of money-orders. Every thoughtful business man will desire that the progress of the system should be no more rapid in the *future* than it has been in the *past*. And every one familiar with the working of the system in other countries will be apt, we fear, to dispute the wisdom and expediency of the Postmaster-General's recommendation to increase the maximum of a single remittance from $30 to $50. It is of the utmost importance not to lose sight of the fact that the money-order system is not established for the purpose of facilitating and cheapening exchange in petty commercial transactions, but for the purpose of making the transmission of petty sums easy, safe and moderately cheap for those who are not in a position to keep bank accounts. The proposed *fifty-dollar* limit, we think, goes clearly beyond what may be called an accommodation for the non-commercial class. And without doubting for a moment the vigilance of the officers of the department, we think the Postmaster-General's proposal opens up new avenues for commercial "accommodation"—or in other words for borrowing at short dates—which would be found extremely hazardous after the system shall have grown to, what we may call, its legitimate proportions. The maximum, indeed, is now higher than we think it ought to be. It is higher than in any other country, where the system has been for years in operation. And it is to be hoped the Postmaster-General will carefully reconsider his recommendation, before the country is committed to the dangerous policy of making the Post-office a convenience for petty traders, instead of a wholesome aid to the vast class of the community that have no other available means of making remittances.

Thanksgiving.

The last Message of the late President, and the first Message of his successor, may be studied with profit to-day by those who regard the observances of Thanksgiving with the sobriety which those observances invite. The day is one which calls the nation together for a solemn expression of gratitude to Heaven. Muscular oratory, loud and offensive glorification, and oblations to the god of war, are all so alien to the exercises which thoughful men have to-day marked out for the morning service of the sanctuary, that we may hope for the suppression, in the houses of public worship at least, of everything that would jar against the spirit of sober thankfulness, of kindly forgiveness, of brotherly yearning toward those recently estranged from the National household, which is the prevailing feeling of every sincere patriot. We cannot, peradventure, expect that in every particular, or to the same degree, the sentiment of gratitude and thankfulness will to-day pervade all parts of the country where the President's Proclamation is read. But we can venture to hope that there is not a corner of the Union wherein the vast majority of our fellow-citizens, whether of the governed or the governing race, are not happier to-day than they were a year ago. Even within the brief space intervening since the Thanksgiving Proclamation was issued, the grandest national enactment of the country—the Constitutional Decree forever abolishing slavery has become part of the fundamental law of the United States. If there were no other cause for profound and solemn ascriptions to the Supreme Ruler of nations—this alone should stir all hearts in their devotions. It is not alone the final breaking of the chains for the oppressed; it is the end of all sectional strife. It is the consummation of the UNION, for all time. No such day of Thanksgiving has the nation been called to celebrate before. Many such it will celebrate hereafter, when the strife which has ceased shall also have been forgotten."

THE CITY ELECTION.—We have already stated the result on Mayor and Corporation Counsel. It appears that only two Union Aldermen are chosen, while (with those holding over) there are fifteen Democrats—nine Tammany, three Mozart and three McKeon. Of the Board of Councilmen, the Unionists elect thirteen and the Democrats eleven—all of the tribe of Tammany, we believe. This gives the Unionists the control of the board. The vote for Mayor is: HOFFMAN, 32,952; ROBERTS, 31,591; HECKER, 10,400; GUNTHER, 6,659; total vote, 81,602. HOFFMAN has 1,361 over ROBERTS; all others have 15,698 over HOFFMAN. For Corporation Counsel the vote is: O'GORMAN, 47,531; HOFFMAN, 30,249; O'GORMAN'S majority, 17,282.

Musical.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—A very satisfactory performance of the "Africaine" was witnessed last night by one of the largest audiences ever seen at the Academy. The singers were in good voice, and the *ensemble* was excellent; and there was also a decided improvement in the chorus at the beginning of the third act. On Saturday afternoon the "Africaine" will be given. To-night there will be a performance in Brooklyn.

The tickets for the Wallace memorial concert are selling rapidly.

The Arion Society will give a concert at Irving Hall on Saturday next, when Messrs. S. B. MILLS, Mr. MOLLENHAUER and Mr. SISSELBERG, a new basso, will assist. Mr. BERGMANN will conduct the orchestra, and the society will sing several songs, under the direction of Mr. HABTMANN. The programme is attractive.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 6.

CONGRESSIONAL MATTERS.

Both Houses of Congress had short sessions to-day and then adjourned, by concurrent resolution, until Monday next. As the committees are not yet announced, there was little disposition in the House to press important business.

THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES.

The changes in the Senate Standing Committees are not material, save in the case of Mr. SHERMAN, who is displaced from the head of the Finance Committee by Mr. FESSENDEN. The former Chairman, Mr. SHERMAN, resumes his old place at the head of the Committee on Agriculture.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

The success of the anti-slavery Constitutional Amendments seemed to have inspired further attempts in the same direction, and four amendments of that great instrument have already been proposed, viz.: Making the number of voters in each State the basis of representation in Congress; annulling the provision against export duties; prohibiting the payment of the rebel debt; and securing to all persons equal protection and the rights of liberty and life.

THE FREEDMEN.

A resolution was passed by the House, granting the use of the Hall to the American Freedmen's Aid Commission, for a meeting on the 13th of January next. Thoroughly sympathizing with its objects, a number of prominent Republicans voted against it, especially the old members, because they deprecate the practice of using the Hall for anything but Legislative purposes. It opens the door for abuses, takes up the time of Congress, and was opposed to-day purely for these reasons.

CITIZENS RIGHTS TO COLORED SOLDIERS.

A series of resolutions declaring as the sense of the House that good faith demands that colored soldiers should have all the rights of citizens of the United States, were offered by Mr. FARNSWORTH, of Illinois, who demanded the previous question on their passage; but the House was too wide awake to have that important question sprung upon it in that manner, and the previous question was not ordered, so the resolutions, which were inordinately wordy, and are said to have been written by a newspaper correspondent who was anxious for a sensation, will come up some time in the future. The House will, doubtless, then be ready to take a tilt at it.

THE LOUISIANA MEMBERS.

The credentials of the members elect from Louisiana were received by the Clerk of the House to-day. They are LOUIS SAINT MARTIN, JACOB BARKER, JOHN E. KING, J. T. WICKLIFFE and JOHN RAY. Several of the Alabama delegation are also in town.

GONE HOME.

Messrs. FULLER, CLARK and WALKUP, Representatives elect from North Carolina, left here this evening for their homes. Messrs. STUBBS and TURNER, of the same State, are still here, but will probably soon follow, as in their opinion the delegation stands but little chance of being admitted for several months to come at least.

THE MANDAMUS AGAINST SECRETARY M'CULLOCH.

The Supreme Court of the District of Columbia this morning disposed of the petition of J. and R. H. PORTER for a mandamus against Mr. MCCULLOCH, Secretary of the Treasury, to compel him to pay money upon an award, etc., the particulars of which we gave a day or two ago. The court refused the prayer without expressing an opinion upon the question directly before them, namely: Can the Secretary be compelled by mandamus to grant a warrant for the payment of money upon an award. The court hastened the conclusion, and pronounced judgment for the purpose of expediting the cause that it might be taken up on writ of error to the Supreme Court of the United States. One of the Judges expressed the opinion that the mandamus cannot issue, but the presiding Judge, CARTER, could not concur without qualifying that opinion. He was of the belief that the true distinction, if any can be made, between the Secretary acting in his executive capacity and acting in his ministerial capacity, begins where the official functionary interposes, arbitrarily his private power, as distinguishable from his official character, to obstruct the progress of the law. Exception was taken to the ruling of the court, and application made for a writ of error.

CALLS UPON THE PRESIDENT.

Most of the morning is now occupied by the President in receiving calls from members of Congress on official business, and it is remarkable that a large portion of this official business, thus far, consists in presenting applications to the Executive for revision of judgments of courts-martial, and especially for the remission of fines imposed by these military tribunals. Some time since, Judge HOLT, Chief of the Bureau of Military Justice, gave his opinion adverse to the right of the President to remit such fines, or to order the same to be refunded where they had been paid. But both Mr. LINCOLN and Mr. JOHNSON entertained a different view of the matter, and the latter, we believe, adheres to this judgment.

WOUNDED SOLDIERS.

A bill was also introduced designed to do the wounded soldier and the soldier's widow an act of the simplest justice, to wit: that employment by the government in a civil capacity shall not deprive them of the benefit of their pensions.

MRS. LINCOLN.

Mr. STEVENS offered a bill for the relief of Mrs. LINCOLN, by paying her $25,000. Long JOHN WENTWORTH, of Illinois, said Mrs. LINCOLN was now one of his constituents. He did not like the form of the bill and asked Mr. STEVENS to withdraw it, which was done, to enable Mr. WENTWORTH to offer a bill paying Mrs. LINCOLN her husband's salary in full for the term of office for which he was elected. Subsequently the matter came up again and it was referred to a committee of one from each State, which is to consider the Lincoln testimonial. Whenever the name of ABRAHAM LINCOLN is mentioned in Congress in connection with any practicable object for testifying to his memory, there is a degree of unanimity not less gratifying than was evinced upon the event of the assassination.

GEN. HOWARD'S REPORT ON THE FREEDMEN.

Gen. HOWARD to-day finished his report on the condition of the Freedmen and the working and operations of the Freedman's Bureau. The report is exceedingly interesting, very able, and necessarily lengthy, making a pamphlet of fifty-two pages, set in small type. The document is now in the hands of the Secretary of War, and will be given to the public to-morrow.

THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT.

Pending the consideration of the above proposition to-day, a resolution was offered that some committee report what measures are necessary to complete the Washington monument, and, when completed, to be dedicated to the memory of both WASHINGTON and LINCOLN. The House thought this project rather incongrous, and the resolution went over.

GENERALS MUSTERED OUT.

The number of Major-Generals of Volunteers honorably mustered out of service since March 11, 1865, is 10; resigned, 22; total, 32. Number of Brigadier-Generals honorably mustered out since same date, 78; resigned, 55; died, 4; total, 137. Total of both grades, 169.

THE GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL.

The General Court-martial, of which Brevet Lieut.-Col. JAMES W. POWELL, Jr., is Judge-Advocate, to-day closed the case of Capt. GEORGE WEBST, late Superintendent of the Old Capitol Prison. Capt. WEBST was charged with associating and playing cards with WIRZ, WINDER, and other prisoners.

PROMOTED.

Capt. JAMES W. POWELL, Jr., Tenth Veteran Reserve Corps, has been breveted Major of United States Volunteers, for gall

STRONG DIVORCE CASE.

MR. McKEON'S OPENING.

Continuous Criminal Charges Against the Plaintiff.

Scene Between Messrs. Cram and McKeon—Mr. Cram Declines Believing Mr. McKeon Under Oath.

Plaintiff Charged with Writing the Confessions.

A VERY INTERESTING DAY.

THE DEFENCE A "CONSPIRACY."

Before Judge Garvin and a Jury.

The second day of the opening on the part of the defence in the Strong case was occupied by Mr. McKEON, who commenced speaking at 11 o'clock in the morning, and continued until 4 o'clock, the hour of adjournment. The usual crowd of witnesses and spectators were in attendance, including SAMUEL WILCOX, Esq., District-Attorney of Tompkins County. Justices ROBERTSON and BARBOUR, and Clerk MERRS shared the comfortable bench of the presiding Judge GARVIN. The janitor has an inconsiderate habit of building just so much fire every day, be the weather mild or stern, and the consequences on such pleasant days as these are by no means agreeable, and they may be fatal. The proceedings of the day were occasionally enlivened by sharp rhetoric, and at the close the regular set-to between Messrs. CRAM and MCKEON took place, when Mr. CRAM politely informed his adversary that he would neither believe him under oath, nor under any other circumstances.

At the opening of the court

MR. M'KEON SAID

When I closed at the last session, I gave you a clue, to the character of the plaintiff, and showed you that we had done all we could to avoid this suit. The real object of Mr. Strong is to be divorced that he may remarry, although he pretends he wants to get his children. You are doubtless satisfied that his motive was selfish and heartless. We have avoided publicity, but he, with almost physical force, has dragged us into court. There was no excuse for him thus to sacrifice his children; there can be no motive save that of a bad heart. I have been struck with his sodom, he has endeavored to impress you with tears, and his eyes roll like those of a player in fine frenzy; it all acting, and I believe one of his weaknesses is notoriety, even at such a cost as this. When a conversation was held by parties intrusted here, one of them said "the children have rights as well as the father," and it was replied that the "father had rights as well as they;" if he was, indeed, a father, he would sink all his own feelings instead of thrusting wife and children and character into the gulf of obloquy; and he is willing to jump in with them provided he can attain his darling object and get

MARRIED AGAIN.

If Mrs. Strong had been brought into court, and had said not one word, a divorce could not have been granted, because no divorce can be granted on mere confession. The chancellors of olden time were most careful about granting divorces—they used to insist upon absolute proof of adultery. And even then Chancellor Kent deemed it a very delicate matter, as many do not recognize the right of civil law to interfere with what is deemed by some a religious sacrament. In the early days of the great Napoleon the Pope refused a peremptory demand for a divorce. In the later days of the same great man, any one could get a divorce, and in France alone several thousands of them were granted in a very short time.

IN THIS STATE

nothing but adultery is considered a fair reason for a divorce, and it was the wise determination of our legislators to hedge about such proceedings the greatest care and caution. In Britain they have gone still further, and insist upon clearest proof that no collusion is possible between the parties. Divorces are, in reality, triangular proceedings, in which the public is as greatly interested as the man and woman; in this controversy there is a fourth party—the little children. They are the parties whose names will start the plaintiff's tears, and they are the ones for whom the loving mother suffers to-day as none but a mother can.

THE PLAINTIFF,

a young man born to a fortune, left this country at an early day, and spent several years abroad, accustomed to all the habits and vices and luxuries of those countries; he came back to no life of industry—but presents himself as a suitor before the daughter of one of our most respected citizens. He finds her accomplished, and versed in all the delights of highest social position. He sought her for her father's money, and takes her pure, unstained, religious and accomplished. Where did he take her—to a pleasant home? He had the means to take her to a pleasant home, free of all seductions, but as I said before, he is mean, and he took her to his mother's, where he hoped she would remain pure. What kind of a home was that? It is not an American home, for when the vail is torn away we find the grossest corruption rankling there. He then went with her to Europe and staid there a few years, and again returned to his mother's home. All these nine or ten years there was no home for her. She had spent years in the impure atmosphere of Europe without a taint upon her. She wanted to leave Waverley, but Strong wouldn't permit it, and treated her most unkindly. He will tell you a marble bust was given to her. What of it? Does that take the place of the affection for which her heart yearned? He came back, and, still avaricious, determined to live in his mother's house. The mother had complete control of the place by the will of her husband. They had no affection for the house in New-York, so they sold it and took a place at Flushing, which they call Waverley.

The mother was authorized to give a portion of the property to the boys on coming of age, but she didn't do it, therefore she was either not asked for it or else she thought he wouldn't take care of it. No, he was selfish, and preferred to have apparent splendor with his mother than to have comfort with wife. He complains that Mr. Stevens refused to give him money. Why, Mr. Stevens had a family of nine children. She was not the only child, and yet we find him complaining to his wife that her father didn't give him money. Should the poor child be blamed for this? No; this develops the man's whole character—it is

MONEY—MONEY—MONEY!

How then should he get the divorce? It sounds like a suggestion of the devil for me to say this; but look at it. His wife was pure against the world; she had traveled in Europe and mixed with society without suspicion. She is charged with crime with but one person, and that his own brother. Edward had been to Europe too, and learned all the blandishments of fashion. He had lost his wife, and had he died without issue, the property would go to his brother. Peter puts his wife into the house where she

MIGHT BE TEMPTED,

and in time, he says, she fell. The law makes him the protector of his own honor, and says he had no right to put her where she could fall into danger. He has

CONNIVED AT HIS WIFE'S FALL,

and this being proved, it is the duty of the court to deny the divorce. Every man is presumed to intend the legitimate consequences of his own acts, and he cannot obtain relief from his own misconduct. The law imposes the obligation of cautiously guarding his wife and preserving her from the wiles of the seducer. It is not necessary to prove actual connivance at adultery, any more than that the other side should prove an actual act of adultery. The doctrine is, that if such a state of things is going on, every one else noticing it, and the husband being the only exception, he is bound to notice it. But here every one noticed it; and to his reply that he couldn't suspect his own brother, I say his own brother was noticed and suspected by everybody in the house, the sister even appealing to the mother to stop it. The old

BLIND MOTHER SAW

it, but the husband didn't. If a man discharges a pistol at you, the law presumes he meant to kill you. The law deduces presumptions from facts. Suppose the

BROTHER WAS AN ACCOMPLICE,

and it looks to-day as if he was an accomplice, what would be the feeling of a high-toned man who discovers such an act as this. The law will not convict a man of murder who kills another caught in the act of adultery with his wife. How is it here? Do the family denounce him, turn him off, and send him away with the brand of Cain? No. While he is disgracing the uniform of the United States, they send him presents, and when he comes home they are glad to see him. And after this the family find him at Saratoga, and visit him there. This polluted hand is taken by Mrs. Benjamin Strong and by her brothers, and he is only waiting now for this verdict befor his reception again. And when he was visiting at home, the little girl was present in the very house where her mother was dishonored. I tell you its a

REGULAR CONSPIRACY

on the part of the Strong family for the ruin of this poor girl. It seems to me any brother should say, "Peter, you have been dishonored; Edward has done a good thing, and we must all cut him off"—but no, they don't; they have money too much, and act as his agent for the reception and passage of filthy lucre.

I asked Mr. Cram if he would put Edward on the stand, and he grew indignant, saying, "We shall conduct our case as we choose." They dare not put this villain on the stand, he dare not come here and stand my examination. They sneer at us for having examined Edward by commission, and for asking Gen. Foster and Secretary Stanton if they would allow an officer to leave the army as a witness. They dare not, I repeat, put this villain on the stand, and we believe him to have been an accomplice. Now have they dared to put in all the evidence in this case. I supposed there would be put in here

UNDOUBTED PROOF

of adultery. But out of all the witnesses, how many are here put on the stand? The sister in Ohio, and the sister here, and the servants. All turns on Matilda Bedell. I will give an abstract of the testimony. Who is she? She appeared to be a lady giving her testimony with great clearness and candor. She lives in Hoboken, and would not have come into court unless she chose. Isn't that suspicious? If she is pure, and what she pretends, what do you think of her for volunteering as a witness? Isn't it extraordinary and unprecedented? She was so interested in Mr. Strong as to suggest the name of Alice O'Grady as a witness. Where is she—why not produced? Matilda says she lived with them at Waverley, at Leamox, and at East Twenty-first-street. She says the parties rode and walked and drove together; that she saw Mrs. Strong come out of Edward's room once, at Newtown; she swore he was three hours in the room; she didn't see him go in or come out, and I would like to know how she can determine the time. She says Mrs. Strong's face was flushed as she went up stairs toward the open doors of the room above. She met her on the stairway, Edward's room being one which opened on the common hall; is there any evidence in this of adultery? Were they ever seen going to an improper place near Waverley, or in any woods, or in personal contact? Is this to lead alone to the conclusion that adultery was committed at that time? She heard signals of coughing, and Edward's door opened; nothing followed which shows improper conduct. The next place is in New-York, where, if one desires to commit these deeds, they can go to any of the numberless houses kept for such purposes. Matilda narrates the story of the "pressed bed"—Edward being found in his room, and Mrs. Strong going up stairs with an inkstand. Is there anything guilty there? Why should Edward use Matilda's room when he had his own and that of Mrs. Strong for his purpose? Why didn't Matilda try the door in the passage—she don't even know whether the door was locked or not. She was living on the same floor with Edward Strong, and yet takes no care of her chastity by locking the door with the key in her own pocket. She believes Mrs. Strong arranged that bed—why, she would have rushed out of the bed if she had been guilty. If Matilda suspected anything wrong, why didn't she rap and ask who is there? She went straight down stairs; she never put Peter nor any of the family on their guard. Is there any other evidence of adultery beside this? I know of no other—not a particle of proof on which you can rest, proof convincing to men careful and conscientious. There is no evidence on the part of the plaintiff—in their opinion these circumstances argue guilt, we think they argue innocence. Look at that voluntary witness, see how she talked and acted, and then you must agree with me that her testimony proves nothing. They say they have the

CONFESSIONS OF THE WIFE.

The rule often is that if the confessions are fair and seem to have been fairly obtained it's the highest kind of evidence. In cases of adultery it's the worst kind of evidence and should always be regarded with suspicion. There must be undoubted proof of the admissions made, and the expressions must be clear and explicit. There must be no collusion, and if fairly obtained is high proof, provided there is really a confession. Admissions merely must be regarded with great suspicion, and received with great caution. Upon trial of the issue, the fact must be sufficiently proved *independent of the confessions*; this rule, says Kent, was derived from the common law, and the experience of Kent led him to believe that adultery was sometimes committed by parties for the very purpose of divorce. A man's confession of murder cannot be used against him; the fact of death must be proven. Even if a man was thrown overboard it is necessary to *show* that the body of offence had been perpetrated. In cases of murder it is held that evidence *must* substantiate and corroborate the confession. The motives for confession are most extraordinary and numerous, and the records of our books read like a romance to the uninitiated. The other side will say that a confession out of court can be admitted here because they have furnished corroborative testimony. To this I say that the evidence presented would lead to the conclusion that no offence was committed. There are two kinds of confession here,

THE ORAL AND WRITTEN.

This business of confessions is not to be favored. There are parallel cases to this that happened long since. You remember the engraving of the Cenci, which was presented here. It is a copy of one of the most remarkable pictures ever presented. Sad as was her story, it bears some resemblance to that of our client. This story which I have told you, will show you the impropriety of putting faith in confessions. She died requesting only that Guido would put in one angle of the picture, the word "innocent"—a word which I know you will apply to my client before you are discharged from the consideration of this case.

The court then took a recess of thirty minutes, after which, at the

AFTERNOON SESSION

Mr. McKeon continued as follows:

Juries often come to conclusions earnestly and fairly, which afterwards are shown to be utterly wrong and eminently unjust, and I earnestly beg you to listen to the acts of the plaintiff before you come to any conclusion. We show to you that he was neglectful of her, and failed to detect what everybody else saw. It is one thing to permit and another to invite, and we insist that Strong provided the meetings, the seducer, and the opportunity. He also continued to cohabit with his wife, although he had a confession from his wife two years before he commenced the suit for divorce. The active instrument of his wrong, Edward, still lives with the family, and there is no evidence here that he is not to be freely forgiven when this divorce is granted. I have thus shown you the danger of oral confessions, and I will now pass to the consideration of written confessions. You must be convinced that they were not extorted from the woman, were free, fair expressions of her views, that they were procured without connivance, and that they were written with no ulterior purpose, that her mind was placid and serene, and that she knew what she was about. I think you will know that this poor woman was in anything but a placid state of mind. One was made in August, 1862. In March, 1862, she was confined, and a dead child was born; the plaintiff avers it was either a miscarriage or an abortion by the wife. She was broken in health and perfectly prostrated. It's the most terrible ordeal a woman can go through under the most natural circumstances, but when instruments or medicines are used, physical pain almost invariably ensues. Mrs. Bedell was in Ohio, but she was to come and see Mary in August. She (Mary) had come from New-York to Flushing. They met at Waverly. She was entirely broken in spirit and body. The combination of religious conversation and prayer on this occasion was one of the most disgustful spectacles imaginable. Broken down, she cries out, "I am guilty, I am covered with sin," but she mentions no specific act of adultery. She hopes for forgiveness from her God and her husband, but there is no evidence of guilt. In October she made another confession. Mr. Strong visited her at Mrs. Heckshaw's. Mrs. H. found Mr. Strong in her house, loud and abusive of his wife. She entered the room and said: "Peter, you must stop this work—I know all you have done." "What have I done?" said he. "I know you sent for Mrs. Foster, and gave her instruments with which she committed the abortion." For this he should have been sent to the State Prison, and he called me a liar because I said: "Yes, acquitted but not tried." How was he acquitted? An old woman named Barbier declined to come to court; she wouldn't allow the officers to see her and she died; the Recorder refused to permit the case to be adjourned. Thus public justice was defeated, and I do mean to say if Strong had been on trial for petty larceny, no court would have permitted it to go off in that way. Twelve men swore he should be tried, and if he had been he would have been proven guilty. I brought the case to the attention of the District-Attorney. I don't deny it. They admit that we made use of no improper means. This wife told her husband what she had done, and it is enough to know that this man, who had been presented by twelve men for trial, begged that he should not be tried, fled—fled from justice for he had been innocent he would have demanded a trial. He would run no such risk as that. He felt he was guilty, and the best way out of it was the easiest. He was dishonored although acquitted. It was only of late that we could find any evidence against him. He's doubly clear of the former case now by reason of limitation and his acquittal by a jury. Finding that these things are known, he sent again for Mrs. Bedell. She came on again and met Mary at Mrs. Foster's. She talked with her about the abortion, and is enabled to throw upon her the whole odium of the transaction. At that time Mary was weak and broken down, and at the close of the interview they prayed together, and then took some refreshment. Mrs. Bedell does not claim that she is accurate in her report, nor that she can give the words of Mrs. Strong. Mary says

I AM THE TEMPTER,

but it seems to me very strange that Mrs. Bedell can remember only these four words. Why were they remembered? Do you believe she was the tempter, and that she would write or say it? It was not true—she fell by the arts of a man who was trained to it; it's not to be credited. Mrs. Bedell was a part of the machinery put in motion for this persecution; she was the wife of a Bishop, and would come aided by all the weight of her husband's position. Where are the letters she wrote? They are in the hands of the counsel. Why don't he produce them? They have two of them, and dare not produce them. He'll say we applied for them, and the court refused us—we couldn't swear to the contents of the letters. You are part of the transaction. This is not an ordinary case. I have known perfectly honest men where one swore directly against the other, a in that case the court charge was that if the evidence was equipoise a verdict must be given in favor of the defendant. The plaintiff must make out his case, and the presumption is in favor of innocence. The plaintiff has dropped this important link, the letters, and you need them. Well, let us look at Mrs. Benjamin Strong. She says the letters came to the St. Jullien Hotel, where Mary came by accident. She introduced the topic herself and admitted her guilt with Edward. Mr. Strong himself lived there, and in the course of the morning his wife dropped in, doubtless by his direction. You must be careful of these admissions. Mrs. Benjamin Strong may have misunderstood her; this wife was surrounded by pit-holes and snares of many kinds; the husband's flesh and blood were the witnesses who plotted with the lawyer-husband against the wife; and yet their work is most bungling. It was understood that these letters should be destroyed, and yet finds herself trapped by her own letters, which she wrote in the fullness of her heart, and of which she has no copies. Her consent amounted to nothing, for she was absolutely in the power of her husband, who of course was supreme above her. I regret very much that they are destroyed; my client tells me they are

UTTERLY UNTRUE,

many of the strongest words not being used at all. If there any evidence of what the counsel told you about the scene at the time of the discovery? There was no truth in it. I am not in the habit of being bullied. Courts may be bullied; other counsel may be bullied, and he may boast of his being bullied, but thank God I haven't become so mean that I can be bullied from doing my duty to my client. Don't understand me as attacking the character of Mrs. Bedell, I don't charge her with perjury, but I do say that her treacherous memory is the sacrificial knife with which the throat of my client's reputation is to be cut. Why didn't they keep the letters? They were evidence that was most desirable, and yet we find them gone. If this written confession was clear, frank and explicit, and was obtained without any improper influence, it is your duty to believe it; not otherwise. This business is of frequent occurrence, but it rarely succeeds. In the case of Stokles, the wife's confession was ruled out, and was of no avail whatever. When was this confession of Mary written? I don't know. There was no witness; there was no date; they would have you believe it was written the 5th of January. It must have been midnight; surely the deed is black enough for such an hour.

Mr. Cram—I wish to see the authority cited in court.

Mr. McKeon—Well, you can't have this book; if you want one you can send to Philadelphia and get it.

Mr. Cram—May it please your Honor—

Judge Garvin—Go on.

Mr. McKeon—I am not to be interrupted; Mrs. Ben Strong says she saw the confession a few weeks before the case commenced in order that she might identify the handwriting, but it wasn't seen before that. I don't want to deceive you, though; it was in existence, and Peter made his boast of it, saying, "I have a confession; I made her give it to me." This letter to Edward Strong they also show, but there is no proof that it was ever delivered to him. Look as to wording—how much of the orator finds its way into that statement to Edward? She says, "my husband knows all, and my affections again are entirely his." Was there ever such a thing? This man has the meanness to write or at all events to accept it. There's no evidence to show that this was written on the 5th of January. I believe no woman on the face of the earth ever wrote that or anything like it. I can't credit that she could write it. The other is dated January 6, 1862. It seems to me that the body of the letter is in different writing from the heading; the ink and pen are not the same, I am going to show this letter was prepared by him. It's a letter of two pages. Is there anything showing that she committed adultery with Edward N. Strong? The word "freely" is suspicious; no one can tell when it was done, although the date is there. If he had given us a witness we could have obtained the details. I do not believe that you think she gave it freely. It is given, too, on a false pretence; he was to forgive a general permission for all manner of dissipation or recklessness.

Mr. Cram—Please treat that paper gently.

Mr. McKeon—This letter was not written on the 6th; it is not natural that she should refer to the date of the other as the "evening of the 6th;" she would have said "last evening." The style of composition throughout is remarkable and not at all that of a weary, worn-out, broken-hearted woman. I have shown that selfishness is the leading trait of this man. She has relieved her conscience and confessed—for what? She wanted to bear the blame, that he might be shielded from reproach; she to bear all the blame. He would always have in his possession a full justification of anything he might do. I can't envy the feelings of a man who could, keep or bear about him a paper of this kind. I should think it would burn out his very vitals. He had had it four years, and now brings it into court as his defence. There is not a word about Edward N. Strong in it. Do these letters come up to a full, frank and explicit statement? The letter to Edward was never intended for him—he never received it—the other should blister the heart of this plaintiff—it ought to blind the eyes of the plaintiff when he looks at it. He tried no dangerous experiment—it was all deliberation. If he did this for his children, why does he bring this suit? No, these letters were manufactured for the occasion. They are no evidence of guilt. The plaintiff says that he has evidence of the guilt of his wife. He has lived with her for a long time, and visited her and her family down to the time of this suit. He lived with her, and she passed by his name, is recognized as his wife and the head of his house, until the Fall of 1863; he says he has not forgiven her, attempts to kidnap or abduct one of the children, and then begins a suit for divorce. Five years is the statute of limitation; but if he had full evidence of the guilt of his wife it was his duty to act without delay. He should be vigilant in the vindication of his rights, and not sleep upon them. It is not for him to act upon slight suspicions or upon possibilities. He should watch carefully, and when satisfied, it is his duty to proceed at once. We are told that after he received the confession (on the following day) he changed his bed. Why, they slept together that night, and from January until May they lived under the same roof. People may be under the same roof and occupy different beds without marital intercourse, but the law presumes to the contrary. The last French invention is that man and wife shall sleep apart. Peter was a married man, and for a long time he did not claim his "lawfully begotten wife," it's a fair inference that about that time he was with some other woman. Well he went to Islip. He shows by my penitentiary friend, that there was a bureau between the rooms. What of it? But that very big bureau, in the mouth of Mr. Roosevelt changes character, and becomes a washstand. This beats Heller. I'll take it as a bureau or as a washstand. How desperate must have been the cause when not one of all the people there could remember the bureau except this penitentiary negro. What did he want of a bureau? wasn't his word enough to keep him out? Did he need a bureau or a washstand? He could go in another door if he chose. If a man is impotent, he can't forgive his wife, say some, because he can't have marital connection. Forgiveness is a matter of intent, it is not a physical matter at all. Take a thief and a man who went to the war—upon his return he finds his wife has been impure. His children are dear to him—he don't want them to be cared for by another woman. He says I will live with you, I won't bring this up to you. After a little he turns from her with determination and brings action against her, and to the reply that he has lived with her, he pleads [certain circumstances only necessary for the court and jury to know.] Now, what do you think of that? Why, if it can't be shown that the *intent* to forgive her was manifested, his action should be estopped, and so the court will charge you who are the judges of the intent in this case. He certainly forgave her when he said she was the best person to take charge of his child. We shall show that Strong said to Stephens, the father, in a conversation, "Are you willing to own your daughter? Mary is too fine a woman to be cut off. I must continue to live with her as before."

A SCENE BETWEEN COUNSEL.

The counsel must not speak so loud that the jury can hear him, and say, "This is not true."

Mr. Cram—Neither counsel made such a remark.

Mr. McKeon—They did. I heard it.

Judge Garvin—Order, gentlemen.

Mr. Cram—I shall not be assailed, your Honor, without replying. Neither counsel made the remark.

Mr. McKeon—Then it was Mr. Strong.

Mr. Cram—Nor did Mr. Strong make it. You may as well be certian of your ground before you make charges.

Mr. McKeon—Then some other person at the table said it, for I heard it. I say so on my oath.

Mr. Cram—Well, I don't believe you on your oath, or under any other circumstances.

Mr. McKeon—In this case I do. After he said the only obstacle in the way is that that child may be born alive. At this remark Mr. Stevens shuddered and shrank; and Strong, seeing that he shrank from it, said: "Or perhaps Mary may die, or Edward, and that would be an end of it." There was

MURDER IN HIS HEART,

the suggestion of abortion, of murder was in his mind, and he had determined, at whatever risk, to accomplish his end. The hour of adjournment has arrived, and I leave the case till our next meeting.

Mr. Cram—Can't this opening, or summing up, or whatever it is, be concluded to-night? There are certain limits to this sort of thing, and in this court the limitation is an hour. I should certainly be the last to suggest a limitation, but the counsel on the other side, Mr. Gerry and the latter gentlemen, have occupied over two days, and I object to its continuing for days longer. In the good old days when I first came to court, an opening was simply a statement of what the counsel intended to prove, and no counsel would presume to occupy entire days in reading law books to a jury.

Mr. Graham—The object of citing law to the jury was to show them what the wisest men who have graced the English bench have thought and said, so that lanterns may be placed in their hands to throw light upon such dark portions of the evidence as would otherwise mystify them. If the counsel objects to our style of opening he should have objected to his own, which contained more that he didn't prove, than that he did or attempted.

Judge Garvin—I can only say in regard to this case that, contrary to the usual custom, I allowed the counsel for the plaintiff to open at great length, and to his entire satisfaction, and with the hope that the counsel for the defence will not occupy much more time I will permit them the same privilege. In compliance with custom I will adjourn over Thanksgiving Day, to meet again on Friday, at 11 A. M.

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Parties unable to attend the meeting, but wishing to further the purpose of the same, can do so by signing the proxy and forwarding it to ISAAC BERNHEIMER, the President of the company, constituting him their attorney to vote for them at said meeting.

Transfer books will be closed from the 6th of December to the 27th of December, inclusive.

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EDWARD HAND, Superintendent.

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H. H. VAN DYCK, Superintendent.

OFFICE OF THE TRUSTEES OF CREDITORS AND STOCKHOLDERS OF THE OHIO AND MISSISSIPPI RAILROAD COMPANY, (EASTERN DIVISION.) }
No. 48 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 5, 1865. }

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ALLAN CAMPBELL, Chairman.

OFFICE OF THE NEW-YORK STAR PETROLEUM AND MINING CO., Nos. 158 AND 160 Chambers-st. }
NEW-YORK, Nov. 29, 1865. }

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this company for the election of Directors, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before them, will be held at the office of the company, on MONDAY, Dec. 11, 1865, at 11 o'clock A. M. The transfer books will be closed from the 7th to the 11th day of December, inclusive.

DE LACY LOUCKS, Secretary.

ST. MARGARET COPPER MINING COMPANY.—Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the stockholders of this company will be held at the office of the company, No. 64 Broadway, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th inst., at 3 o'clock P. M., for the transaction of important business.

By order of
ALEXANDER H. NICOLAY, President.

EDWARD B. SUTTON, Secretary.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Aladdin Petroleum Company will be held at the office thereof, No. 229 Broadway, (Room No. 31,) on FRIDAY, Dec. 15, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, for the election of Directors.

FINANCIAL.

VERMILYE & CO.,

BANKERS,

NO. 44 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK,

GOVERNMENT LOAN AGENTS

KEEP ON HAND FOR

IMMEDIATE DELIVERY,

THE ISSUES OF

7-30 TREASURY NOTES, OF ALL DENOMINATIONS.

WE BUY AND SELL ALL CLASSES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES AT MARKET RATES.

ALSO, QUARTERMASTERS' CHECKS AND CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS.

ORDERS FROM BANKS AND BANKERS EXECUTED ON FAVORABLE TERMS AND WITH DISPATCH.

VERMILYE & CO.

$10,000 REWARD.

LOST OR STOLEN,

FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS,

IN 7 3-10 TREASURY NOTES,

Dated June 15, 1865,

AND NUMBERED

111,653 TO 111,732 INCLUSIVE.

BONDS, 500 EACH.

The public are cautioned against negotiating these bonds, as payment has been stopped.

REFER TO
AMERICAN EXCHANGE BANK.

H. CLEWS. GEO. H. BEND.
WM. B. BEND. THEO. S. FOWLER.

HENRY CLEWS & CO.,

(Successors to Livermore, Clews & Co.,)

BANKERS,

No. 32 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK.

UNITED STATES SECURITIES

PURCHASED AND FOR SALE.

All kinds on hand, ready for instant delivery, at the lowest market prices.

DEPOSITS IN CURRENCY AND GOLD RECEIVED.

Accounts of banks, bankers and individuals solicited.

FOUR PER CENT. INTEREST ALLOWED ON ALL DAILY BALANCES

which may be checked for without notice.

Collections made promptly on all points.

Orders for stocks, bonds and gold executed on commission.

Gold for payment of duties for sale in sums to suit.

UNITED STATES TREASURY,

INTEREST DEPARTMENT,

NEW-YORK, Dec. 5, 1865.

Parties holding (30) thirty or more coupons of the three years seven and three-tenths notes maturing on the 15th inst., are requested to hand them in with schedules, at any time prior to the 14th inst.

Holders complying with the above will have their coupons examined and checks given for them on the 14th inst., after 3 o'clock P. M.

Blank schedules will be furnished upon application at the Coupon Interest Department of this office.

H. H. VAN DYCK,
Assistant Treasurer United States.

DESIGNATED DEPOSITORY OF THE UNITED STATES.

THIRD NATIONAL BANK

OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 6, 1865.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank, for the election of directors, will be held at their banking-house on TUESDAY, the 9th inst., between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M. By order of the board.

J. C. MARSELLUS, Assistant Cashier.

LOCKWOOD & CO., BANKERS,

NO. 34 BROADWAY AND NO. 6 WALL-ST.

Dealers in government and other securities.

Interest allowed upon deposits of gold and currency, subject to check at sight. Gold loaned to merchants and bankers upon favorable terms.

LA CROSS AND MILWAUKEE RAILROAD SECOND MORTGAGE, EASTERN DIVISION BONDS.—The railroad and premises mortgaged to secure the payment of said bonds are advertised to be sold June 1, 1866. The undersigned, have been appointed a committee to purchase said premises for the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company. They have deposited with the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company $500,000 of the $1,000,000 of said Second Mortgage Bonds.

Bondholders who deposit their bonds with them on or before Dec. 20, 1865, will participate in the advantages of the purchase as stipulated; those who do not, will only be entitled to a dividend from the purchase money. They will receive said bonds at the office of the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company, No. 25 William-st., Room No. 9.

RUSSELL SAGE,
ALEX. MITCHELL,
WASHINGTON HUNT.

OFFICE OF THE
GREAT NORTHERN OIL COMPANY, }
No. 40 NEW-STREET, }
NEW-YORK, November, 1865.

NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKholders of this company will be held at its office in New-York on the 12th day of December next, at 1 o'clock P. M., to elect five Trustees for the ensuing year, and also for the distribution of the capital stock of the company from $2,000,000 to $500,000, and such other business as may come before the meeting.

DANIEL DEVLIN,
JOHN BRYAN,
J. S. ATWOOD,
Majority of Trustees.

THE RATHBONE PETROLEUM COMPANY OF WEST VIRGINIA.—A meeting of the stockholders of this company will be held at the office of said company, Room No. 52, No. 54 William-st., New-York City, on THURSDAY, the 14th day of December, at 12 o'clock, to consider the following resolutions which will be offered: 1. To increase the capital stock of said company by fifty thousand shares, as additional working capital. 2. To change the capital stock from shares to one dollar per share; and for such other business as may come before the meeting.

GEO. GOODRICH,
JOHN F. PICKRELL, } Trustees.
GEO. BRADLEY,
ROBERT C. EMBREE,

NEW-YORK, Nov. 30, 1865.

OFFICE OF SHELDEN AND COLUMBIAN COPPER CO., }
No. 22 WILLIAM-ST., NEW-YORK, Nov. 25, 1865. }

THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATES OF the stock of the SHELDEN AND COLUMBIAN COPPER MINING COMPANY have been forfeited, and will be sold at public auction, at the office of the company, on SATURDAY, Dec. 23, 1865, at 3 o'clock P. M., for non-payment of the assessment, the amount due on which is $50, in name of H. F. Woodward, for 5 shares; Certificate No. 78, in name of Geo. P. Deshon, for 75 shares; Certificate No. 98, in name of Joshua Hendricks, for 75 shares. By order of Board of Directors.

S. J. EDWARDS, Secretary.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
SPRINGFIELD, NOV. 22, 1865. }

THE INTEREST DUE TO THE PUBLIC DEBT OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS maturing on the first Monday of January, 1866, will be paid at the Ocean National Bank of the City of New-York on the last tax day in January, 1866.

JAMES H. BEVERIDGE, State Treasurer.

MILWAUKEE AND PRAIRIE DU CHIEN RAILWAY } COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 48 Exchange-place, }
Room No. 20, third floor, } NEW-YORK, Dec. 1, 1865. }

THE INTEREST DUE ON THE McGREGOR Western Railway Company's Bonds due 1st August, 1866, will be paid at this office on and after MONDAY, 4th December.

C. F. TAINTOR, Transfer Agent.

OFFICE OF THE TOLEDO, PEORIA AND WARSAW } RAILWAY CO., 28 EXCHANGE-PLACE, }
NEW-YORK, Nov. 29, 1865. }

JOHN B. HUTCHINSON, Trustee of the Toledo, Peoria and Warsaw Railway First Mortgage Bonds, due Dec. 1, 1865, will be paid on and after that date, less government tax, at the office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, No. 26 Exchange-place.

CHARLES L. FROST, President.

THE NATIONAL SHOE AND LEATHER BANK, }
NEW-YORK, Dec. 5, 1865. }

ELECTION.—THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR fifteen directors of this bank and three inspectors for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, on the SECOND TUESDAY in January ensuing.

The poll will open at 12 M., and close at 1 o'clock, P. M.

By order,
W. A. KISSAM,
Cashier.

NOTICE.—A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Schuylkill Coal Company for the purpose of filling vacancies in the Board of Directors will be held at the office of the company, No. 7 Nassau-st. on FRIDAY, the 15th inst., at 12 o'clock.

J. A. TIMPSON, Secretary.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 5, 1865.

THE CHATHAM NATIONAL BANK, }
NEW-YORK, Dec. 6, 1865. }

AN ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS OF this association will be held at the banking-room, on TUESDAY, the 9th day of January next, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M. By order of the board.

O. H. SCHREINER, Cashier.

NO. 43 BEAVER-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 6, 1865.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the New-Jersey Central Copper Mining Company will take place at their office, No. 43 Beaver-st., on MONDAY, Dec. 18, at 2 o'clock P. M.

A. A. PEYSKAL, Secretary.

NOTICE.—A MEETING OF THE CREDITORS of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company will be held at the office of the Rogers Locomotive and Machine Works, No. 44 Exchange-place, New-York, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th of December, at 12 o'clock noon. It is important that every creditor should be duly represented.

LOST OR STOLEN.—A CHECK DRAWN BY Messrs. Beadleston & Haslock, for $3,406, on the American Exchange National Bank, No. 2,094, to the order of Jed. Hazen, indorsed in blank and not indorsed. Payment having been stopped, parties having found the same will please return it to Messrs. BEADLESTON & HASLOCK, No. 22 Broad-st., and they will be suitably rewarded.

LOST.—A CHECK FOR SIXTY (60) DOLLARS on the Fourth National Bank, signed by Marcus Spring, supposed to be lost in the Post-office. All parties are cautioned against negotiating the same, as payment has been stopped.

$10,000 WANTED IN A WESTERN ENTERPRISE.—Safe, and money doubled every year. Only parties meaning business and bringing satisfactory references, for full particulars, STOCK, Box No. 129 *Times* Office.

$5,000 WANTED—ON BOND AND MORTgage at 8 per cent., for a number of years, on first-class property on 34th-st., near 6th-av. Inquire of JOHN S. VAUGH, at office of Manning & DeForest, No. 19 Wall-st.

WANTED TO EXCHANGE—$6,000 TO $16,000 in gold or legal-tender for a farm; must be healthy location, good building, good land, no mosquitoes, handy to the depot and within two hours' ride of the city. Address, with full particulars, Box 292 Brooklyn Post-office.

COMMISSIONER FOR MASSACHUSETTS and other States—No. 5 Beekman-st., Room No. 6, first floor over Park Bank.

DIVIDENDS.

MERCHANTS' NATIONAL BANK, }
NEW-YORK, Dec. 27, 1865. }

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a dividend of Five (5) Per Cent. free of government tax, payable Dec. 1. The transfer books will be closed until Dec. 1.

J. D. VERMILYE, Cashier.

SAVINGS BANKS.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST PAID, FREE from government tax.

THIRD-AV. SAVINGS BANK,

corner 28th-st. and 3d-avenue.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST,

Free from government tax, allowed at

METROPOLITAN SAVINGS BANK,

NO. 1 THIRD-AV.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST, FREE OF tax, allowed by Union Dime Savings Bank, No. 239 Canal-st., corner of Varick.

Assets, $1,571,650 78.

ATLANTIC SAVINGS BANK, CHATHAM-SQ., 4th ward, allows 6 PER CENT. INTEREST, free from U. S. Tax. Assets, Nov. 1, 1865, $4,075,626 6[illegible]

AUCTION SALES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned, HENRY A. BARLING and ABNER H. DAVIS, as executors of the last will and testament of Edward Mott Robinson, deceased, will sell at public auction, through Burdett, Jones & Co., auctioneers, at the Merchants' Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on the 11th day of December next, at 12 o'clock noon, the three-eighths of the ship *Queen of the East*, of New-York, her tackle, apparel and furniture, &c., mortgaged to the said Edward Mott Robinson, deceased, by Eben B. Crocker and George Warren, to secure the sum of $13,500, by indenture of mortgage, dated March 6, 1864, recorded in the Custom-house in New-York March 8, 1864, in Liber 44, folio 83, &c., of Bills of Sale of Registered Vessels. Default having been made in payment of said mortgage debt, the said sale will be made in pursuance of the power contained in said mortgage. The said vessel is now lying at the North Middle Wharf in the Atlantic Basin, in the City of Brooklyn.

NEW-YORK, Nov. 28, 1865.

HENRY A. BARLING,
ABNER H. DAVIS,
Executors, &c., of Edward Mott Robinson.

EXTENSIVE SALE OF GOVERNMENT RAILROAD PROPERTY.

MILITARY DIVISION OF THE TENNESSEE, }
CHIEF QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, U. S. MIL. R. R. }
NASHVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 25, 1865. }

Will be sold, at public auction on Nov. 20, 1865, at the foot of Poplar-st., St. Louis, Mo.,

TWO FLAT CARS, 4-6 FEET GAUGE.

On Nov. 25, 1865, at the yard of the Jeffersonville Railroad Company, Jeffersonville, Ind.,

NINE FLAT CARS, GAUGE, 4 FEET 8½ INCHES.

On Nov. 27, 1865, at Louisville, Ky.:

- 311 car wheels,
- 217 old axles,
- 1 smoke-stack,
- 1 pair drivers,
- 1 parallel rod,
- 6 hand cars,
- 23 pairs wheels and axles,
- 1 tender,
- 1 engine truck,
- 4 springs,
- 1 bell and frame,
- 14 truck cars,
- 50,000 pounds of scrap iron.

On Dec. 1, 1865, at Memphis, Tenn., the entire stock of the United States Military Railroad supplies remaining on hand at that place, consisting in part as follows:

- (80) Eighty tons assorted iron.
- (800) Eight hundred tons scrap iron.
- (8) Eight tons assorted steel.
- (1) One ton pig lead.

And a general assortment of small stores, table for railroads.

On Dec. 11, 1865, at Nashville, Tenn., the entire stock of new and serviceable stores of the United States Military Railroad, remaining on hand at the General Supply Store, consisting, in part, as follows:

- 26,000 Twenty thousand axes.
- 1,000 Tons ass'd bar iron, rd. sq. hfrd. angle.
- (60) Eighty tons boiler and tank iron.
- (35) Thirty-five tons assorted steel.
- (300) Three hundred tons scrap iron, wrought and cast.
- 25,000 Twenty-five thousand pounds engine brass cast ings.
- Gas-pipe,
- Brass pipe,
- Spring balances,
- Shovels,
- Hatchets,
- Nuts,
- Washers, wrought and cast,
- Nails and spikes,
- Mallets,
- Sash, glass and paints,
- Hardware of all kinds,
- Railroad lamps,
- Cooking stoves and fixtures, Kelly's head lights,
- Heating stoves,
- Gas fixtures of kinds,
- Oil cups,
- Brass cocks of every description,
- Globe valves, all sizes.
- Claw, lining and tamping bars,
- Iron and copper rivets and burrs,
- Sheet copper and brass,
- Chains and rope of all sizes,
- Blocks, tackle and snatch,

Full sets of carpenters', blacksmiths' and saddlers, tools, rubber car springs, belting gum and leather, files' butts, and screws, tinware of all kinds; and almost every article suitable for railroad operations, all of the very best quality. Also,

- (3) Three large lathes, Stevens & Brother, manufacturers.
- (2) Two planers, Sellers & Co., manufacturers.
- (1) One bolt cutter and 1 gear cutter, Gould & Brother manufacturers.
- (1) One upright engine, 8-horse power.
- (1) One trip-hammer and engine, Howell's patent.
- (1) One Brookfield 5-ton hammer.
- (1) One Sellers' steam hammer.

Will also be sold at the same time, a large amount of serviceable and second-hand railroad tools of all kinds, consisting of

Carpenters' Tools,
Wheelwrights' Tools,
Blacksmiths' Tools,
Machinists' Tools,
Stores and Pipe, Spoke, Chains, &c., &c.

TERMS CASH, IN GOVERNMENT FUNDS.

Catalogues of the materials to be sold in Nashville can be obtained by application to Capt. S. R. Hamill, A. Q. M., and at the foot of Memphis, on application to Capt. John Park, A. Q. M.

The attention of dealers and railroad companies is particularly invited to this sale.

Sales will commence at 9 o'clock A. M. on each day, and continue daily until all the property is disposed of.

J. C. REILLY,
Capt. and A. Q. M. U. S. A.

LARGE SALE OF NAVY CLOTHING, SHEETING, CANVAS DUCK, MATTRESSES, BLANKETS, &c., &c.

UNITED STATES NAVY PAYMASTER'S OFFICE, }
No. 29 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 2, 1865. }

Will be sold at auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th inst., at the inspection of provisions and clothing in the Navy-yard, New-York, commencing at 11 o'clock A. M., a large assortment of navy clothing, &c., &c., consisting, more or less, of:

3,400 blue cloth pea-jackets; 3,425 blue cloth round jackets;
7,885 blue satinet trousers; 13,667 blue cloth caps.
14,967 blue flannel overshirts; 17,100 blue flannel undershirts.
14,028 blue flannel drawers; 22,709 pairs woolen socks.
10,189 mattresses; 6,391 blankets.
5,582 pairs boots; 6,454 pairs slip shoes.
8,182 pairs woolen drawers; 20,980 yards negro brogans,
20,980 yards blue satinet; 29,912 yards blue flannel.

Also, a large lot of Barnsley sheeting, canvas duck, bolt rope, hammocks, bunting, spun yarn, marline and sewing-silk. By order of the Chief of Bureau of Provisions and Clothing.

Samples of the sheeting and duck can be seen at this office; other articles at the Navy-yard, on and until the day of sale.

TERMS—Cash, 10 per cent. paid down, and the balance before the goods are taken away, which must be within a reasonable time, under forfeiture of goods and the 10 per cent. deposited.

JOHN D. GIBSON, Paymaster U. S. Navy.

LARGE SALE OF CHOICE OAK-TANNED LEATHER.

CHIEF QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, }
PHILADELPHIA DEPOT, Nov. 28, 1865. }

Will be sold at public auction, in lots to suit purchasers, at the Leather Warehouse, Swanwick, Philadelphia, on TUESDAY, Dec. 12, 1865, at 10 o'clock A. M., a superior stock of

PURE OAK-TANNED LEATHER,

comprising
4,461 sides (containing about 78,622 feet) wax upper leather.
5,279 sides (containing about 98,676 pounds) welt leather.
768 sides (containing about 10,788 pounds) welt leather.

This leather was carefully selected for manufacturing army boots and brogans, and is for sale in consequence of the disbanding of a large portion of the army.

Terms cash in government funds.

Property to be removed within five days from day of sale.

WILLIAM W. McKIM,
Colonel and Chief Quartermaster.

TO BOOK BUYERS.

Trade Salerooms No. 496 Broadway.

GEO. A. LEAVITT & CO., Auctioneers. GEO. S. COOLEY.

TUESDAY, DEC. 12, AND FOLLOWING DAYS AT 7 P. M.

CHOICE PHILOSOPHICAL LIBRARY.

A catalogue of a very select library of books in several Departments of Literature, including a choice collection on Angling, many works on Bibliography; Science and the Fine Arts; Works on Architecture; a number of highly valuable illustrated works, and many relating to America, some of which are very scarce.

Catalogues ready and books on exhibition.

GEORGE COOK, Auctioneer.—Salesrooms, No. 91 Liberty-st.

FINE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

MIRRORS, CARPETS, &c.

At auction, THIS DAY, at 10½ o'clock, a large and valuable stock of fine furniture, removed for convenience of sale, including rosewood parlor suites, hair-cloth parlor-suites, in brocatelle, reps, tapestry and hair-cloth; library and secretary bookcases, sideboards, extension dining-tables, bedsteads, bureaus and washstands, mantel and pier mirrors, carpets, paintings, &c. Catalogues at sale. Goods boxed for shipping.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer—Office No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post-office.

LARGE AND VALUABLE SALE OF Carrara marble statuary, pedestals, &c., just received per ship *Cuo*, from Leghorn, Italy, and never before exhibited in this country, at the Sculptor's Studio, will sell at auction on THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 14, at 7½ o'clock, at the Somerville Art Gallery, No. 843 Broadway, two doors below 14th-st., about 40 pieces of elegant statuary, which are taken together, are bonded, imported by Messrs. F. Zannoni & Co., from the best studios of Italy, comprising among others the following: Groups—Fisher Boy, Thorwaldsen's Hebe, Guarnian Angel, Shepherdess, Contending Cupids, &c.; Statues and Busts—Fisher Boy, Thorwaldsen's Hebe, Canova's Venus, Summer, Flora, Bacchante, Peasant Girl, Madonna, Diana, Apollo, &c.

Also, the superb bust of the late President

ABRAHAM LINCOLN,

by the celebrated artist, Chevalier FELICI, of Florence, (which has been on exhibition during the past two months at the gallery of Messrs. Goupil & Co.,) with statuettes of pedestals.

The above will be on exhibition on Monday, 10th inst., with catalogues.

BUREAU OF ORDNANCE, NAVY DEPARTMENT, }
WASHINGTON CITY, Dec. 4, 1865. }

SALE OF A LOT OF CONDEMNED AND unserviceable navy cannon, small arms and ammunition and ordnance stores at the navy-yard, boston.—Notice is hereby given, that there will be sold by public auction, at the Navy-yard Boston, on the 21st day of December, 1865, at noon, a lot of condemned and unserviceable navy cannon, small-arms, small-arm ammunition, and miscellaneous ordnance stores.

The cannon will be sold by the pound, and the remainder of the articles by lots.

Terms cash in government funds, one-half of the purchase money to be paid at the end of the sale, and the remainder within ten (10) days afterward, at which time the articles must be removed, otherwise they will revert to the government.

For more particular information, parties are referred to the Inspector of Ordnance at the Boston navy-yard.

H. A. WISE,
Chief of Bureau of Ordnance, Navy Department.

BUREAU OF ORDNANCE, NAVY DEPARTMENT, }
WASHINGTON CITY, Dec. 4, 1865. }

SALE OF A LOT OF CONDEMNED NAVY CANNON AT THE NAVY YARD, PORTSMOUTH, N. H.—Notice is hereby given, that there will be sold at the Navy-yard, Portsmouth, N. H., by public auction, on the 25th day of December, 1865, at noon, a large lot of old Navy Cannon.

These cannon will be sold by the pound to the highest bidder.

Terms cash in government funds, one-half of the purchase money to be paid at the end of the sale, and the remainder within ten (10) days afterward, at which time the cannon must be removed from the Navy-yard; otherwise they will revert to the government.

Further information regarding the sale will be given on application to the ordnance officer at the Portsmouth Navy-yard.

H. A. WISE,
Chief of Bureau of Ordnance,
Navy Department.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

PEREMPTORY SALE, BY ORDER OF EXECUTOR, TO CLOSE THE ESTATE OF GEORGE S. FOX, DECEASED, THIRD-ST., NEAR BOWERY.—H. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, Dec. 19, at 12 M., at the Exchange Salesrooms, No. 111 Broadway, forty-two acres of land, with cottage and outbuildings, situate at West Farms, Westchester County, on the road leading to Hunt's Point. The property is located on tide-water, has extensive views and affords beautiful sites for elegant country residences within three miles of Central Park. It will be sold in one parcel or in plots of about five acres. Maps and information can be procured at the office of the auctioneers, No. 63½ Fine-st.

JOSEPH HEGEMAN, Auctioneer.

FRIDAY NEXT, AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M., at the Central Salesrooms, Willoughby-st., corner of Pearl-st., Brooklyn, rosewood pianos, handsome furniture, rosewood parlor suites, large bureaus, high-top bedsteads, hair mattresses, feather beds, bedding, mirrors, extension tables, chairs, lounges, china, glassware, hat-stands, walnut library desk, library bookcase, velvet and brussels carpets, oil-cloths, stoves, &c., &c.

At 12 M.—Two elegant crimson satin brocatel window curtains, with lace un-

AUCTION SALES.

LARGE SALE OF GOVERNMENT MULES.

CHIEF QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, }
DEPOT OF WASHINGTON, }
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5, 1865. }

Will be sold at public auction, under the direction of Brevet Col. C. H. Tompkins, Q. M., at the Eastern Branch Corral, near Lincoln Hospital Depot, Washington, D. C., commencing WEDNESDAY, Dec. 20, 1865, at 10 o'clock A. M., a superior lot of

SIX HUNDRED GOVERNMENT MULES.

The Mules are well broken, matched, in fine condition, and may be considered, in every respect, a first-class lot.

They will be sold singly, to the highest bidder, and the sale will be continued from day to day until the whole number is sold.

Terms cash, in government funds.

D. H. RUCKER,
Brevet Major-General and Chief Quartermaster,
Depot of Washington.

DANIEL H. BURDETT, Auctioneer.

LARGE SALE OF MANUFACTURED AND LEAF TOBACCO.

BURDETT, JONES & CO. will sell on SATURDAY, Dec. 9, 1865, at 12 o'clock, on the Battery, (for account of whom it may concern)—

TOBACCO—1,070 boxes manufactured tobacco, favorite brands and sizes.

LEAF TOBACCO—89 hhds. of Missouri and Kentucky leaf tobacco, damaged at the late fire by fresh water.

Terms cash.

S. J. BOGART, Auctioneer.

THIS DAY, AT 10½ O'CLOCK, AT THE auction rooms No. 14 North William-st.: household furniture, mahogany sofas, lounges, parlor chairs, rockers, tables, secretary, mahogany bookcase, mirrors, engravings, bedsteads, 100 sea-grass mattresses, 200 wool blankets, 166 knit jackets, sheets, bedticks, Brussels, three-ply and ingrain carpets, oil-cloth, kitchen furniture, &c. Deposits required.

PROPOSALS

ARMY SUPPLIES.

OFFICE OF
ASSISTANT COMMISSARY-GENERAL OF SUBSISTENCE, }
No. 4 STATE-STREET, NEW-YORK, Dec. 6, 1865. }

Sealed proposals (in duplicate) will be received by the undersigned until 4 o'clock P. M. on SATURDAY, the 9th inst., for supplying, for the use of the United States Army, SUBSISTENCE STORES, to be delivered in New-York or Brooklyn, as follows, viz.:

300 barrels NEW MESS or EXTRA MESS BEEF, in full-hooped oak barrels, with two iron hoops; buttocks will not be the brands, and will exhibit sampled when practicable.

The Beef to be received at such Inspection yards as shall be agreed to by the undersigned.

30,000 pounds prime NEW WHITE BEANS, in well-coopered and full head-lined flour barrels; the bids to be for the bushel of 60 pounds.

POTATOES—Such quantities as may be required during the month of December, 1865, 60 pounds to the bushel, in good ordinary well-coopered barrels.

ONIONS—Such quantities as may be required during the month of December, 1865, 60 pounds to the bushel, in good ordinary well-coopered barrels.

Separate proposals, *in duplicate*, must be made for each article enumerated, and bidders may propose for the whole or any part of each.

Samples of the beans, potatoes and onions must be delivered with the proposals, and referred to therein.

A printed copy of this advertisement must be attached to each proposal, and the proposals must be specific in compliance precisely with all the terms. Each bid, to be for consideration, must contain the written guarantee of two responsible names, as follows:

"We, the undersigned, hereby guarantee that, should all or any part of the above bid be accepted, it shall be duly fulfilled according to its true purport and conditions; also, that the bidder enters into, and furnishes the amount of one-fourth of the value of the stores proposed to be furnished, shall be executed if required."

The seller's name, place of business, and the date of purchase, as well as the name or cognizance with weight, gross and tare, and shipping marks to be hereafter designated, must be plainly marked on every package. All other marks must be obliterated.

Certificates of inspection by professional packers or inspectors, *other than the party furnishing the provisions*, will be required for the meat, certifying on the part of the seller their present quality and condition, and the immediately preceding inspection.

The meats will also be examined and passed upon by parties from this office on the part of the United States.

All the stores will be carefully inspected before their delivery, and compared with the retained samples. Receive-offices will be appointed by a professional Public Weigher, must be furnished.

Payment will be made in currency or its equivalent, as soon as vouchers are received for the purpose.

Contractors are cautioned that their goods without expense to the United States until required for shipment.

Blanks for Proposals will be furnished at this office, which must be adopted, in answering the same to the undersigned, and indorsed, "Proposals for Subsistence Stores."

H. F. CLARKE,
Brevet Brig.-Gen. and A. C. S. S.

**GOVERNMENT SALE OF CHOICE

SHIPPING.

NATIONAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.
(Limited.)
NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL,
Calling at Queenstown to land passengers.

	Tons.	Commanders.
ERIN	3,412	Grogan.
ENGLAND, building	3,450	
IRELAND	3,036	Hall.
ERIN	3,300	Grace.
ERIN	3,345	Prowse.
PENNSYLVANIA	3,870	McNevin.
VIRGINIA	2,876	Lewis.
LOUISIANA	2,166	Cutting.

Leaving Pier No. 47, North River, as follows:
LOUISIANA ..... SATURDAY, Dec. 2
PENNSYLVANIA ..... SATURDAY, Dec. 9
VIRGINIA ..... SATURDAY, Dec. 16
ERIN ..... SATURDAY, Dec. 23
AND EVERY SATURDAY THEREAFTER.

The size of these steamships admits of very spacious state-rooms, all opening directly into the saloon; the accommodations and fare are unsurpassed, and the rates lower than by any other line.
An experienced Surgeon on each ship free of charge.
Cabin passage, $80; Steerage, $30—payable in currency.
The owners of these vessels will not be accountable for specie or valuables unless bills of lading, having their value expressed therein, are signed therefor.
For freight or cabin passage, apply at the office of the Company, No. 57 Broadway.
C. H. EDWARDS, Manager.
For steerage passage at THOMPSON'S Passage Office, No. 129 Pearl-st.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS.
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.
AND
BETWEEN BOSTON AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT HALIFAX AND CORK HARBOR.
CANADA leaves New-York Wednesday, Nov. 29.
NOVA SCOTIA leaves Boston Wednesday, Dec. 6.
NORTH AMERICA leaves New-York Wednesday, Dec. 13.
ASIA leaves Boston Wednesday, Dec. 20.
ARABIA leaves New-York Wednesday, Dec. 27.
CUBA leaves Boston Wednesday, Jan. 3.
FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage $182 50
Second Cabin Passage 80 00
FROM BOSTON TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage $112 50
Second Cabin Passage 65 00
Sterling is gold, or its equivalent in United States currency.
Berths not secured until paid for.
A experienced surgeon on board.
The owners of these ships will not be accountable for specie or Valuables unless bills of lading, having the value expressed, are signed therefor.
For freight or passage, apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

STEAMSHIP LAFAYETTE, FOR BREST and Havre, will sail from Pier No. 50, North River, foot of Morton-st., on FRIDAY, the 8th inst. Passengers requested to be on board not later than 10½ o'clock.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.
THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S NEW LINE OF FIRST-CLASS MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST
The first splendid vessels on this favorite route for the continent are the following:
WASHINGTON ..... 3,224 tons ..... 900-horse power
LAFAYETTE ..... 3,224 tons ..... 900-horse power
EUROPE ..... 3,224 tons ..... 900-horse power
NAPOLEON III ..... 1,100-horse power
St. LAURENT ..... (Building) ..... Great power.
PEREIRE ..... (Building) ..... Great power.
VILLE DE PARIS ..... (Building) ..... Great power.
DEPARTURES FROM NEW-YORK.
Pier No. 50 North River.
LAFAYETTE ..... A. BOCANDE ..... FRIDAY ..... Dec. 8
NAPOLEON ..... A. DUCHESNE ..... FRIDAY ..... Jan. 5
Carrying only cabin passengers.
PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD.
First cabin, $135; second cabin, $90, including table wine for either class.
Passengers intending to land at Brest will be furnished here with railroad coupon tickets, and their baggage checked to Paris, at an additional charge of $5 for first and $3 for second class.
Medical attendance free of charges.
For further information apply to
GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent, No. 7 Broadway,
Will remove on Dec. 15 to new office, No. 58 Broadway.
At Paris, 12 Boulevard des Capucines, (Grand Hotel.)
At Havre, WM. ISELIN & CO.

ONLY AMERICAN LINE TO ENGLAND AND FRANCE.
The New-York and Havre Steamship Company's first-class mail steamships ARAGO and FULTON, having been specially restored, will leave Pier No. 37 North River for Havre, calling at Falmouth, as follows:
ARAGO ..... HENRY A. GADSDEN ..... Nov. 25, 1865.
FULTON ..... JAMES A. WOTTON ..... Dec. 23, 1865.
ARAGO ..... HENRY A. GADSDEN ..... Jan. 20, 1866.
FULTON ..... JAMES A. WOTTON ..... Feb. 17, 1866.
ARAGO ..... HENRY A. GADSDEN ..... March 17, 1866.
FULTON ..... JAMES A. WOTTON ..... April 14, 1866.
PRICES OF PASSAGE IN GOLD.
First cabin ..... $132 50 | Second cabin $80 00
Through tickets to London, $5 extra.
An experienced surgeon on board.
The company will not be responsible for specie or valuables unless bills of lading, having the value expressed, are signed therefor.
For further information, apply to
ISAAC BELL, President,
No. 7 Broadway, New-York.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL—CALLING AT Queenstown. The Inman Line, sailing semi-weekly, carries the United States mails.
CITY OF BALTIMORE ..... SATURDAY ..... Dec. 2
CITY OF DUBLIN ..... WEDNESDAY ..... Dec. 13
CITY OF NEW-YORK ..... SATURDAY ..... Dec. 16
and each succeeding SATURDAY and WEDNESDAY, at noon, from Pier No. 44 North River.
RATES OF PASSAGE.
BY THE MAIL STEAMER SAILING EVERY SATURDAY.
First Cabin ..... $100 | Steerage $30
First Cabin to London ..... 95 | Steerage to London 33
First Cabin to Paris ..... 105 | Steerage to Paris 40
PAYABLE IN GOLD.
Passage by the Wednesday steamers: First Cabin, $80; Steerage, $35. Payable in U. S. currency.
Passengers booked forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at moderate rates.
Steerage passage from Liverpool or Queenstown, $30 gold, or the equivalent. Tickets can be bought here by persons sending for their friends.
For further information apply at the Company's Offices.
JOHN G. DALE, Agent, No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

ONLY LINE OF BRITISH STEAMERS carrying passengers direct to Great Britain.
Steam to Glasgow, Liverpool and the Irish Ports.
HIBERNIA ..... SATURDAY, Dec. 16
BRITANNIA ..... SATURDAY, Dec. 30
Cabin, $80, $90, $70. Steerage $30, in currency.
FRANCIS MACDONALD & CO.,
No. 4 Bowling-green.
Passengers will please come direct to the office, as this company does not employ runners.

PASSAGE TO AND FROM GREAT BRITAIN and IRELAND by
TAPSCOTT'S
favorite lines of LONDON and LIVERPOOL PACKETS, sailing every week. Parties wishing to send for their friends or remit money to the Old Country can do so on the most favorable terms by applying to
TAPSCOTT, BROTHERS & CO.,
No. 85 South-st.

STEAM TO LONDON.—THE SPLENDID British iron steamship ATALANTA, 3,000 tons, Capt. WM. H. CHESEBROUGH, will sail as above from Pier No. 3, North River, on TUESDAY, Dec. 12. For passage, at the lowest rates, apply to CHAS. A. WHITNEY, No. 26 Broadway. For freight or passage apply on board, at pier, or to
HOWLAND & ASPINWALL, Agents.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.—THE STEAMer ATALANTA is now discharging, under general order, at Pier No. 3 North River.
HOWLAND & ASPINWALL, Agents.

NOTICE.—CHANGE OF SAILING, OWING TO the national mourning day on the 7th of December, the steamship MORRO CASTLE will not leave this port for Havana till Dec. 8, at 10 A. M. For freight or passage, apply to
SPOFFORD, TILESTON & CO.,
No. 29 Broadway.

FOR HAVANA—DIRECT.
The United States mail side-wheel steamship MORRO CASTLE, R. ADAMS, Commander, will leave Pier No. 4 North River, on FRIDAY, Dec. 8, at 10 o'clock A. M., precisely, for Havana.
For freight or passage apply to
SPOFFORD, TILESTON & CO.,
No. 29 Broadway.
The favorite steamer EAGLE will succeed the MORRO CASTLE and leave Dec. 16.

FOR HAVANA, VIA NASSAU, N. P.
The British and North American Royal Mail Steam-packet Company's new steamer CORSICA, Capt. LE MESURIER, will sail for the above ports, from the Company's wharf, at Jersey City, on MONDAY, Dec. 4; and MONDAY, Jan. 1.
Passage money to Nassau $45
Passage money to Havana 60
Payable in gold or its equivalent.
No freight received on day before sailing.
For freight or passage, apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

FOR SAVANNAH DIRECT.
STAR LINE, SEMI-WEEKLY.
Connecting with railroad; throughout Georgia and Florida. The first-class steamships
NEVADA, Capt. CARPENTER.
CONSTITUTION, Capt. GREENMAN.
AMERICA, Capt. LINDSEY.
WEYBOSSET, Capt. PARISH.
The
NEVADA
will sail from Pier No. 13 North River, foot of Cedar-st., SATURDAY, Dec. 9,
at 3 o'clock P. M.
CONSTITUTION will follow on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 13.
For freight or passage, having splendid accommodations, apply to
WAKEMAN, GOOKIN & DICKINSON,
No. 17 Broadway.
Agents in Savannah, BRIGHAM, BALDWIN & CO.
Freight received on our covered Pier No. 13 N. R. at all times during the day.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.
ATLANTIC COAST MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
Connecting with railroads throughout Georgia and Florida.
The new and elegant steamships
HUNTRESS, Capt. J. B. BAKER;
EUTERPE, Capt. ELDRIDGE;
YAMUNA, Capt. WHITEHURST;
HIGHFLYER, Capt. BREWER;
will leave Pier No. 37 North River, every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY, at 3 P. M. These steamers are unrivaled for speed and passenger accommodations.
The fine and elegant Steamship EUTERPE leaves on SATURDAY, Dec. 9.
For freight or passage apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO.,
No. 141 Broadway.
Agent at Savannah, JNO. R. WILDER, who will forward all goods intended for the interior.
All bills of lading signed on board the ship.

FOR SAVANNAH DIRECT.
From Pier No. 51, North River, foot of Christopher-st.
EMPIRE SIDE-WHEEL LINE.
The first-class steamship SAN JACINTO, of the Atlantic Mail Steamship Company's new line, will leave for Savannah direct on SATURDAY, Dec. 9, at 3 o'clock P. M., precisely.
Freight taken for Augusta, Darien, Doctortown and Thomasville, Ga., and through bills of lading issued therefor.
For freight or passage, having splendid accommodations, apply to
GARRISON & ALLEN, Agents,
No. 5 Bowling-green.
Agent at Savannah, B. H. HARDEE.

FOR SAVANNAH.
PIONEER LINE
WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS.
Cabin Passage ..... $35 | Deck Passage $10
The first-class steamships
TYBEE ..... Capt. CROWELL.
PERIT ..... Capt. DELANOY.
HUNTER ..... Capt. ROGERS.
CHASE ..... Capt. ROATH.
The steamship HUNTER, Capt. M. L. ROGERS, will leave Pier No. 4 North River, on SATURDAY, Dec. 9, at 3 o'clock P. M.
For freight or first-class passage apply to
LEWIS L. JONES, No. 17 Broadway.
For deck passage apply on board.
HUNTER & GAMMELL.

FOR SAVANNAH, GEORGIA.—MURRAY'S weekly lines, connecting with railroads throughout Georgia and Florida. The first-class steamships
ZODIAC, DEARBORN, Commander.
LEO, MERRILL, Commander.
VIRGO, BULELEY, Commander.
The VIRGO will sail from Pier No. 16 East River, at 3 o'clock P. M., SATURDAY, Dec. 9.
For freight or passage apply to
MURRAY & NEPHEW, No. 69 South-st.

SHIPPING.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S THROUGH LINE
TO CALIFORNIA,
TOUCHING AT MEXICAN PORTS,
AND CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAIL,
leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock noon, on the 1st, 11th and 21st of every month, (except when those dates fall on Sunday, and then on the preceding Saturday,) for ASPINWALL, connecting, via Panama Railroad, with one of the company's steamships from Panama for SAN FRANCISCO, touching at ACAPULCO.
DECEMBER.
1st. HENRY CHAUNCEY, Capt. GRAY, connecting with CONSTITUTION, Capt. FARNSWORTH.
11th. ATLANTIC, Capt. MAURY, connecting with GOLDEN CITY, Capt. BRADBURY.
21st. NEW-YORK, Capt. HORNER, connecting with COLORADO, Capt. WATKINS.
Departures of 1st and 21st connect at Panama with steamers for SOUTH PACIFIC PORTS. Those of 1st touch at MANZANILLO.
THROUGH PASSAGE RATES, IN CURRENCY.

First Cabin.	Second Cabin.	Steerage.
$350	$250	$125

A discount of ONE-FOURTH from steamers' rates allowed to second cabin and steerage passengers with families.
One hundred pounds baggage allowed each adult. Baggage-masters accompany baggage through, and attend to ladies and children without male protectors. Baggage received on the dock, the day before sailing, from steamboats, railroads and passengers, who prefer to send down early.
An experienced surgeon on board. Medicines and attendance free.
A steamer will be placed on the line Jan. 1, 1866, to run from NEW-ORLEANS to ASPINWALL, via HAVANA.
For passage tickets or further informations apply at the company's ticket office, on the wharf, foot of Canal-st., North River.
F. W. G BELLOWS, Agent.

OPPOSITION LINE TO CALIFORNIA.
REDUCED PRICES OF PASSAGE.

First Class.	Second Class.	Third Class.
$350.	$175.	$100.

Children 6 to 12 years, half price; under 6, quarter price.
100 pounds baggage free.
The Central American Transit Company will dispatch, on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 13, at noon, from Pier No. 29 North River, the new and elegant steamship
SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Capt. J. W. SMITH.
For passage apply at No. 177 West-st., corner of Warren.
D. N. CARRINGTON, Agent.

OFFICE OF WELLS, FARGO & CO., NEW-YORK AND CALIFORNIA EXPRESS AND EXCHANGE COMPANY, NO. 84 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK.—SHIPPERS OF FREIGHT TO THE PACIFIC COAST will please take notice that having been appointed Freight Agents of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, we are now prepared to receive freights for California, Oregon, Nevada, Washington Territory, Sandwich Islands, Central America and west coast of South America.
For rates apply at our office, No. 84 Broadway, or freight office on dock foot of Canal-st.
Steamers will sail 1st, 11th, and 21st of each month; those dates falling on Sunday, on preceding Saturday.
No slow freight received on day of sailing. Freight MUST BE DELIVERED ON DOCK FOOT OF CANAL-ST. Bills of lading will be issued at No. 84 Broadway. Our usual package express will be sent by each steamer, and will close at 10 A. M. on sailing day. Our letter bags will close at 11½ A. M. For convenience of our up-town customers, letter bags will be kept at the Metropolitan Hotel and on the dock, foot of Canal-st.
Our FRANKED ENVELOPES will be on sale at the office of the hotel, and at our office, No. 84 Broadway, and Canal-st. dock.
All letters sent through us must be in Government envelopes.
Sight Exchange on San Francisco for sale.
Telegraphic transfers of money made to all points reached by the wires on West Coast.
California coupons bought at best rates.
WELLS, FARGO & CO.

FOR CALIFORNIA VIA PANAMA.
The Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamer ATLANTIC will sail on MONDAY, Dec. 11, at 12 o'clock M. Freight received daily at Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., from 7 A. M. until 4 P. M., closing at 3 P. M. on the 9th, for slow, and 9 o'clock A. M. 11th for fast freight.
WELLS, FARGO & CO.
Sole Freight Agents P. M. S. S. CO.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
Consignees of freight per Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamers will receive orders for delivery at the office of Wells, Fargo & Co., No. 84 Broadway, upon surrender of their bills of lading.
Goods remaining on the wharf twenty-four hours after discharge will be stored at expense and risk of consignees.
WELLS, FARGO & CO.,
Sole Agents P. M. S. S. Co.

NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS.—The New-York Mail Steamship Company's steamship EVENING STAR will leave on SATURDAY, Dec. 9, at 3 P. M., from the Company's Pier, No. 40 North River.
For freight or passage apply to
JAMES A. RAYNOR, No. 10 Barclay-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
BLACK STAR LINE.
The new steamship
MISSOURI,
JAS. SPERMAN, Commander,
will take the place of the HARMON, and sail from Pier No. 13, North River, foot Cedar-st., on SATURDAY, Dec. 9, at 3 o'clock P. M.
The MARMION will sail on SATURDAY, Dec. 16.
For freight, apply to
R. LOWDEN, Agent,
No. 54 Wall-st.
Bills of lading signed on the wharf.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS VIA HAVANA.
THE ELEGANT STEAMSHIP
SAN SALVADOR,
JOHN THOMPSON, Commander,
Having been thoroughly overhauled and refitted, will leave Pier No. 21, North River, foot of Fulton-st., for the above named ports, on THURSDAY, Dec. 14, at 3 o'clock P. M.
Bills of lading signed on the wharf.
For freight or passage, with superior accommodation, apply to the agents,
G. HEINEKEN & PALMORE, No. 115 Broadway.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS, DIRECT.
The United States mail steamship UNITED STATES, Capt. WM. NYE, will leave Pier No. 9 N. R., on SATURDAY, Dec. 9, at 5 P. M.
Passage, with unsurpassed accommodations, $60.
Apply to H. B. CROMWELL & Co.,
No. 36 West-st.

FOR MOBILE DIRECT.
REGULAR LINE.
The first- lass steamships
GULF CITY, Capt. JAMES STEWART.
GULF STREAM, Capt. ROBERT MOUNT.
VICKSBURGH, Capt. WILLIAM F. MOTHERT.
MERCEDITA, Capt. E. C. WILLIAMS.
For freight or passage, with superior accommodations, apply to SMITH & DIMON,
No. 68 South-st.
Extra freight will be charged on all goods for which bill of lading are not taken out before the steamer sails

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.
PEOPLE'S MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
EMILY B. SOUDER ..... Capt. LOCKWOOD
MONEKA ..... Capt. WM. MARSHMAN
The above splendid steamships will leave every THURSDAY, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 26 North River, invariably landing cargo at Charleston on Monday morning.
The MONEKA leaves THURSDAY, Dec. 7.
For freight or passage, with unsurpassed accommodation,
Apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., No. 141 Broadway.
Consignees at Charleston, ARCHIBALD, GETTY & CO. All bills of lading signed on board the ship.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.
REGULAR UNITED STATES MAIL LINE OF FIRST-CLASS STEAMSHIPS.
GRANADA, ALHAMBRA, ANDALUSIA
SARAGOSSA,
and the QUAKER CITY.
WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS,
will be dispatched promptly at 3 o'clock, from Pier No. 14 East River. Bills of lading signed on board.
For freight or passage apply to
ARTHUR LEARY, No. 73 William-st.
The new, elegant, and very fast steamship
ANDALUSIA,
IRA BURSLEY, Master,
is now receiving cargo, and will be dispatched on SATURDAY, 9th December.

FOR RICHMOND, CITY POINT AND NORFOLK.
GOES TO THE WHARF AT RICHMOND.
The new and elegant SIDE-WHEEL steamships
HATTERAS, Capt. LEWIS PARRISH, every SATURDAY, at 12 M.
ALBEMARLE, Capt. H. A. BOURNE, every WEDNESDAY, at 12 M.,
FROM PIER NO. 36 NORTH RIVER.
Freight for Newbern, N. C., and all points on Roanoke River, as far as Hamlet, forwarded by our agent at Norfolk, free of charge.
For freight or passage, having unsurpassed accommodations. Apply to LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO.,
No. 141 Broadway.
Freight received on our covered pier, No. 36 North River, at all times during business hours.
Goods consigned to our address promptly forwarded.
All bills of lading signed on board the ship.

FOR NORFOLK, CITY POINT AND RICHMOND.
GOES TO THE WHARF AT RICHMOND.
From Pier No. 21, North River, foot of Fulton-st.,
The new and elegant sidewheel steamship,
NIAGARA,
GEORGE W. COUCH, Commander,
Leaves every SATURDAY, at 3 o'clock P. M.
Passenger accommodations unsurpassed.
G. HEINEKEN & PALMORE,
No. 115 Broadway

FOR WILMINGTON, N. C., DIRECT.
ATLANTIC COAST MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
WEEKLY LINE.
RALEIGH, Capt. WALKER,
ADELE, Capt.
One of these elegant steamships leaves every SATURDAY, at 3 o'clock P. M. from Pier No. 36, North river.
For freight or passage, having very superior accommodations, apply to LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO.,
No. 141 Broadway.
Agents at Wilmington, HARRISS & HOWELL, who will forward all goods intended for the interior.
Bills of lading signed on board the vessel.

COMMERCIAL LINE OF U. S. M. STEAMSHIPS
FOR WILMINGTON, N. C.
FAIRBANKS, Capt. ALEX. HUNTER.
WM. P. CLYDE, Capt. JAS. S. ROBBINS.
WASHINGTON, Capt. O. CHICHESTER.
The 1 steamship WASHINGTON is now receiving freight, and will sail on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 13, at 4 P. M. Superior accommodations for passengers. For freight or passage apply to CHAS. H. PIERSON, No. 77 South-st., or JAMES HAND, No. 117 Wall-st.

FOR WILMINGTON, N. C.
The first-class steamship
COMMANDER,
TERRY, Master,
is now receiving cargo, and will be dispatched from Pier No. 14, East River, on WEDNESDAY, 6th Dec., at 5 P. M. For freight or passage apply to
ARTHUR LEARY, No. 73 William-st.

FOR JACKSONVILLE, FLA., FERNANDINA and intermediate landings.
The new, exceedingly fast and splendid steamer
CITY POINT, Capt. TALBOT,
leaves Charleston for the above ports every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY at 3 P. M.
Passengers by he SATURDAY'S steamers from New-York connect.

FOR PHILADELPHIA.
OUTSIDE LINE OF SIDE-WHEEL STEAMERS.
The steamer
KENNEBEC,
EDMUNDS, Commander.
is now receiving cargo
at Pier No. 4, North River,
and will sail on
THURSDAY, Dec. 7, at 4 P. M.
For rates of freight, &c., apply to
THORN & TOBIAS, No. 144 Cedar-st.,
Corner of West-st.

SEA SICKNESS! SEA SICKNESS!
Prevented and cured. Certificates, Surgeon Pacific Mail Steamship Company, Chemists and others. For sale by DEMAS BARNES & CO., No. 21 Park-row, and Broadway Druggists.

SHIPPING.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
ATLANTIC AND MISSISSIPPI STEAMSHIP LINE, composed of first-class steamers, having large freight capacity, and superior accommodations for passengers.
$40 FIRST CABIN PASSAGE!!!
The new steamer MISSOURI, JAMES SHERMAN, Commander, will sail from Pier No. 13, North River, foot of Cedar-st., SATURDAY, Dec. 9, at 3 o'clock P. M. The well-known and popular steamer MATANZAS, LEISEGANG, Commander, will sail SATURDAY, Dec. 16.
Through bills of lading issued for all points on the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers, in connection with the Atlantic and Mississippi Steamship Company, of St. Louis.
For freight or passage, apply to
GARRISON & ALLEN, Agents,
No. 5 Bowling-green.
Or J. EAGER & CO.,
Agents of the Atlantic and Mississippi Steamship Company, of St. Louis, No. 41 Broad-st., New-York.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT,
FROM PIER NO. 13 NORTH RIVER,
SATURDAY, Dec. 9.
Freight is now being received for the new steamship MISSOURI, and bills of lading furnished and signed on the wharf.
GARRISON & ALLEN, Agents,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

DRY GOODS.

PATON & COMPANY,
NO. 341 BROADWAY,
INTENDING TO CLOSE
THE
RETAIL DEPARTMENTS OF
THEIR BUSINESS
AFTER
JAN. 1, 1866,
will offer, until that date, their entire retail stock
OF
HOUSEKEEPING AND UPHOLSTERY
DRY GOODS
AT
GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.
Stock consisting of
LINENS, CURTAINS, BLANKETS,
&c., &c., &c.
PATON & COMPANY,
No. 341 Broadway.

SELLING OFF—SELLING OFF.
AND NO BOGUS SALE.
JAMES TUCKER'S removal from No. 769 Broadway is imperative next Spring, 1866. Now, then, the temptation for the discerning public: J. T. offers a large and rich stock of millinery materials at a heavy sacrifice.
TAILORS, MILLINERS AND DRESSMAKERS
dealt with liberally.
Upright glass cases for sale. No. 769 Broadway.

GREAT RUSH
FOR CHEAP GOODS.
BARGAINS IN EVERY DEPARTMENT.
NO OLD STOCK
TO PUSH OFF
ON CUSTOMERS
BUT NEW GOODS, AT HIGH RATES,
AT NEW PRICES.
A LIVELY TRADE
AND CHEAP GOODS
THE MOTTO.
GREAT DECLINE IN PRICES.
DRY GOODS AT PANIC RATES.
COTTON GOODS "WAY DOWN."
BEST MUSLINS at 1 cent a yard profit.
Through the dull winter months we intend to give our customers "lots of bargains," in short we intend to sell goods nearly at cost, and thus keep things moving, and not allow dull times to cause a disturbance. So look out for bargains, and when you want them go to
FOSTER BROTHERS,
No. 272 Bleecker-st., corner Commerce.

TO MILLINERS AND COUNTRY STOREKEEPERS.
WHOLESALE
AT GRAND-ST. CHEAP STORE.
We cut Millinery Goods cheaper than down-town jobbers sell whole pieces.
Mark the address, Nos. 311 and 313½ Grand and 66 Allen-sts., fifth block east from the Bowery.
Entrance to the Wholesale Department, No. 66 Allen-st.
Second floor—Straw and Felt Goods.
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THE WAR ON THE OCEAN.

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mitted capability and merit, who have served the country so faithfully and so well, be added to the navy, after an examination by a board of officers appointed for that purpose. Such an addition to the navy, of brave and intelligent representatives from the commercial marine, will be a fitting and honorable recognition of the services of a body of men who came to the aid of their country.

From 7,600 men in service at the commencement of the rebellion, the number was increased to 51,500 at the close. In addition to these the aggregate of artificers and laborers employed in the navy-yards was 6,680, instead of 3,844 previously in the pay of the Government. This is exclusive of those employed in the private ship-yards and establishments, under contracts, constituting an almost equal aggregate number. Two hundred and eight vessels have been commenced and most of them fitted for service during this period. A few of the larger ones will require still further time for completion. Only steamers, the propellers also for sea-going power, have been built by the government during my administration of the department.

Since the 4th of March, 1861, 418 vessels have been purchased, of which 313 were steamers, at a cost of $18,366,681 88, and of these there have been sold 340 vessels, for which the government has received $8,621,800 27.

THE CONDUCT OF THE BLOCKADE.

In order to guard the coast and enforce the blockade the department was under the necessity of breaking up and ordering home our foreign squadrons. This recall, rendered imperative by the necessities of the case, left our extensive commerces on distant seas unprotected. The great maritime powers of Europe, as soon as they were aware of our domestic difficulty, hastened to recognise the rebels as belligerents, and proclaimed themselves neutral between the contending parties. The operations of this assumed neutrality were to deprive our national ships of the privileges which they had by national courtesy enjoyed, and while thus restricting and inflicting injury on our government, the professed and proclaimed neutrality gave encouragement and strength to the rebels who were in insurrection and waging war upon the Union. Each of these European neutrals had treaties of amity, and was in friendly official and commercial intercourse with the Government of the United States, while with the rebels, who were without a recognized flag or nationality, they had neither treaties nor official relations. The United States had a navy which commanded respect, and a commerce that covered every sea, whilst the rebels had neither navy nor commerce to be affected by neutral exclusions and restrictions. Consequently this action of the neutral league operated, on the one hand, to injure and embarrass a friendly government that was cultivating and practicing peaceful and friendly relations with every nation; and, on the other hand, to give countenance and encouragement to rebels engaged in a causeless insurrection to subvert the most beneficent government on earth.

Virtually excluded from the ports of the great maritime Powers by this assumed neutrality, the difficulty of maintaining even a limited naval force abroad was greatly increased. The withdrawal of our squadrons left our unprotected commerce exposed to the depredations of semi-piratical cruisers, which were built, armed, manned, and sent out to plunder and destroy our merchantmen from the shores of neutral Europe. To these aggravated wrongs we were compelled, in the great emergency which existed, to submit, for under no circumstances would the department relax the blockade, or permit its efficiency to be impaired.

The suppression of the rebellion enables us to re-establish squadrons abroad, and to display again the flag of the Union in foreign ports. Our men-of-war, possessing from the blockade, will soon be found in every sea, prepared to assert American rights and protect American interests.

European neutrality, now that the insurrection is suppressed, no longer denies to our national vessels those supplies and courtesies which were refused in the days of our misfortune. No rebel rover, built in neutral ports, remains to take alarm or feel apprehension on the appearance of the armed vessels of the republic; and now that we have surpressed the insurrection, we may be permitted to receive hospitality and international comity from those neutral nations which during four years excluded our public ships, and by their presidents declined on elevating the rebels to be a distinct belligerent power.

We had, in 1860, five squadrons on foreign stations, numbering 31 vessels, carrying 445 guns. At the present time we have on the several stations abroad 26 vessels, mounting 347 guns, and carrying 56 howitzers